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REPORT
OF THE
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
Town of Middleton
FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1940



SALEM, MASS.
THE NEWHALL PRINTERS
1941







GEORGE H. WEBBER
Constable and Chief of Police
1937-1940



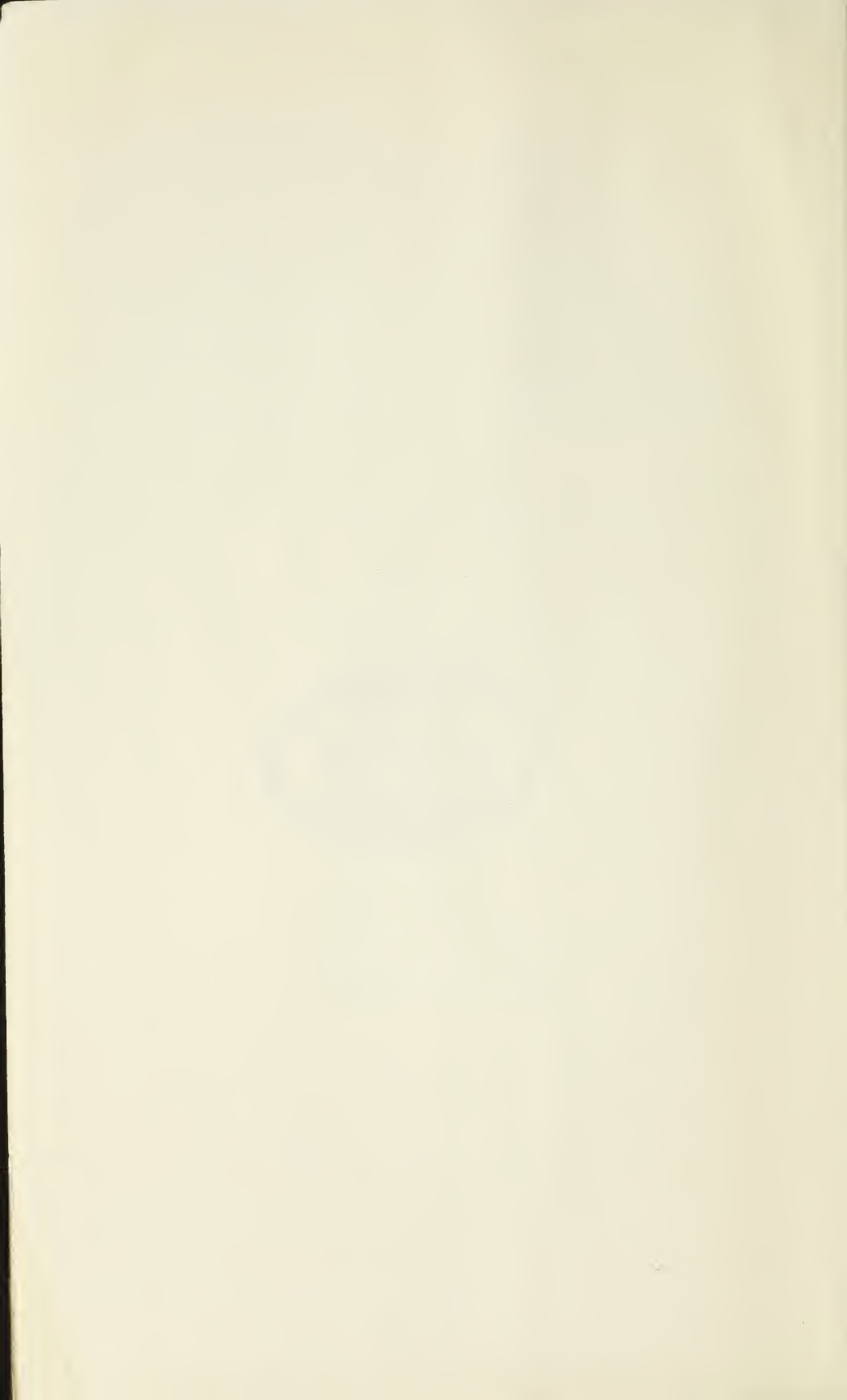
J. ALLEN ATWOOD
Superintendent Buriels 1909-1929
Library Trustee 1902-1905
Cummings Fund Trustee 1915-1933
Cemetery Commissioner 1932-1940



CHARLES GORDON CURTIS
Highway Surveyor
Deputy Fire Chief
1939-1940

BURTON MCGLAUFLIN
Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent
1922-1940





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Town Officers

Moderator

George B. Ogden Term expires March, 1941

Town Clerk

J. Warren Osborne Term expires March, 1941

Treasurer

George E. Gifford Term expires March, 1941

Selectmen

Fred Currier, Chairman Term expires March, 1941

Archibald L. Jones, Term expires March, 1941

Seaver L. Macdonald, Clerk Term expires March, 1941

Board of Public Welfare

Richard Floyd, Chairman Term expires March, 1943

Austin C. Peabody, Clerk Term expires March, 1941

Jessie M. Colbert Term expires March, 1942

Board of Health

Seaver L. Macdonald Term expires March, 1940

Fred L. Currier Term expires March, 1940

Archibald L. Jones Term expires March, 1940

Board of Assessors

William T. Martin, Jr., Chairman Term expires March, 1942

Fred L. Currier, Clerk Term expires March, 1941

Lyman S. Wilkins Term expires March, 1943

School Committee

Raymond W. Silvernail, Chairman Term expires March, 1942

Seaver L. Macdonald Term expires March, 1943

Mrs. Alice K. Cass, Clerk Term expires March, 1941

Highway Surveyor

Benj. F. Ogden Term expires March, 1941

Tax Collector

Harold E. Tyler Term expires March, 1941

Tree Warden

Albert A. Sheldon Term expires March, 1941

Moth Superintendent

Albert Sheldon Term expires January, 1941

Constable

Walter H. Milbury Term expires March, 1941

Chief of Police

Walter H. Milbury Term expires May, 1941

Superintendent of Burial

Richard N. Maxwell Term expires March, 1941

Inspector of Animals

H. Bray Wilkins Term expires May, 1941

Inspector of Slaughtering

H. Bray Wilkins Term expires May, 1941

Town Accountant

Elmer O. Campbell Term expires May, 1942

Forest Fire Warden

Benj. F. Ogden Term expires January, 1941

Chief of Fire Department

Wm. H. Young Term expires May, 1941

Board of Fire Engineers

William H. Sanborn, Chairman Term expires May, 1941

Walter Paine Term expires May, 1941

Richard B. Floyd Term expires May, 1941

William M. Young Term expires May, 1941

Sealer of Weights and Measures

William H. Young Term expires May, 1941

Electric Light Commissioners

Richard B. Floyd, Chairman Term expires March, 1942

Charles Bates, Clerk Term expires March, 1941

A. L. Jones Term expires March, 1943

Electric Light Manager

A. B. Harrington Term expires May, 1941

Trustees Flint Public Library

George E. Barnaby	Term expires March, 1941
Austin C. Peabody	Term expires March, 1941
Henry A. Young	Term expires March, 1942
William H. Sanborn	Term expires March, 1942
Harley M. Tyler	Term expires March, 1943
J. Warren Osborne	Term expires March, 1943

Cemetery Commissioners

J. Allen Atwood, Chairman	Term expires March, 1941
George E. Barnaby	Term expires March, 1943
Austin C. Peabody, Clerk	Term expires March, 1942

Finance Committee

H. M. Richardson, Chairman	Term expires March, 1943
Oscar Bell	Term expires March, 1941
William S. Colton,	Term expires March, 1942
W. W. Richardson	Term expires March, 1942
Frederick E. Burnham	Term expires March, 1943

Registrars of Voters

Edward Coffin	Term expires March, 1942
Charles Pasquale	Term expires March, 1941
Walter O. Parker	Term expires March, 1943

Town Counsel

William H. McSweeney	Term expires April, 1941
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TRUSTEES

B. F. Emerson Fund

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Massachusetts	
Roger F. Clapp	George E. Barnaby
William H. Sanborn	Harley M. Tyler

Mansfield Fund

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

David Cummings Fund

Board of Public Welfare

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending, December 31, 1940

ANALYSIS SHEET

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
Town Officers Salaries . . .	\$3,976.00	.	.	\$3,976.00	\$3,925.96	.	\$50.04
Town Officers Expenses . . .	1,700.00	.	\$421.46	2,121.46	2,121.46	.	.
Town Hall . . .	600.00	.	163.05	763.05	763.05	.	.
Police . . .	850.00	.	.	850.00	849.99	.	.01
Fire . . .	2,000.00	5.65	.	2,005.65	1,955.89	.	49.76
Moth . . .	873.45	28.00	.	901.45	901.45	.	.
Tree Warden . . .	100.00	.	150.00	250.00	242.06	.	7.94
Health . . .	1,200.00	20.80	9.62	1,220.80	1,230.42	.	.
Essex Sanatorium . . .	934.44	.	.	934.44	934.44	.	.
Dental Clinic . . .	400.00	.	.	400.00	400.00	.	.
Road Machinery Fund . . .	4,215.34	2,155.54	.	6,370.58	2,591.16	.	3,779.42*
Highway . . .	500.00	.	240.00	740.00	727.94	.	12.06
Highway, Chapter 81 . . .	2,800.00	4,713.76	1,700.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	.	.
High'y, Chap. 90, Maint. . .	1,500.00	2,720.00	.	3,220.00	2,580.00	640.00	.
High'y, Chp. 90, Boston St. Cons. . .	1,269.92	2,324.27	.	348.60	263.60	.	85
High'y, Chp. 90, Maple St. Cons. . .	1,700.00	.	.	1,700.00	.	1,700.00	.
Highway, Chapter 504 . . .	.	4,388.25	.	4,388.25	.	4,388.25	.
Fencing . . .	100.00	.	.	100.00	100.00	.	.
Bridge . . .	800.00	.	1.16	301.16	301.16	.	.
Sidewalks . . .	100.00	.	.	100.00	100.00	.	.
Snow . . .	4,000.00	.	400.00	4,400.00	5,083.99	.	.
Street Lighting . . .	3,360.00	.	.	3,360.00	3,360.00	.	.
Public Welfare . . .	10,000.00	1.50	.	10,001.50	9,885.78	.	115.72
Old Age Assistance . . .	12,120.00	9,653.52	460.00	22,213.52	22,201.82	.	11.70
Old Age Assistance, Adm. . .	102.33	337.15	13.17	452.65	375.00	.	77.65*
Aid Depend't Children . . .	550.00

ANALYSIS SHEET

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ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
Surplus Commodities	\$500.00	.	\$100.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 599.54	.	\$ 46.00
State Aid	100.00	.	.	100.00	100.00	.	.
Soldiers' Relief	600.00	.	350.00	950.00	927.50	.	22.50
School	30,000.00	.	.	30,000.00	29,222.14	.	777.86
Vocational Education	650.00	.	.	650.00	621.88	.	28.12
Library	500.00	575.71	.	1,075.71	1,075.71	.	.
Park	200.00	.	50.00	250.00	250.00	.	.
Memorial Day	250.00	.	.	250.00	238.70	.	11.30
Insurance	1,250.00	.	.	1,250.00	1,250.00	.	.
W. P. A. Projects	3,769.67	.	.	3,769.67	3,558.32	.	211.35*
American Legion	150.00	.	.	.	.	\$ 100.00	50.00
Contingent Fund	1,000.00	.	.87	1,000.87	1,000.87	.	.
Reserve Fund	600.00	.	100.00	700.00	646.16	646.16	53.84
Mansfield Fund	18.52	910.00	.	928.52	718.19	.	210.33*
Cemetery	800.00	307.95	.	1,107.95	1,106.69	.	1.26
Cemetery Graves	400.00	.	.	400.00	346.32	.	53.68
Lots and Graves Fund	370.00	170.00	25.00	565.00	.	.	565.00*
Endowment of Lots	1,000.00	280.00	.	280.00	280.00	.	.
Interest	.	35,901.87	.	1,000.00	910.50	.	89.50
Electric Light Dept.	1,294.21	.	.	35,901.87	83,228.56	1,733.65	939.66*
Electric Light Deprecia'n	1,656.50	540.00	1,733.65	3,027.86	.	.	3,027.86*
Elec. Lt. Meter Deposits	35,000.00	50,000.00	.	2,196.50	893.50	.	1,803.00*
Revenue Notes	3,000.00	.	.	85,000.00	60,000.00	.	25,000.00*
Funded Debt	.	.	.	3,000.00	3,000.00	.	.
Dog Tax	.	478.40	.	.	478.40	.	.
State Tax	.	.	.	.	5,516.85	.	6.04*

ANALYSIS SHEET (CONTINUED)

	Balance and Appropriation	Receipts	Transferred To	Total Available	Expended	Transferred From	Balance to Revenue
County Tax	\$3,227.80	.	.
Tax Abatements, Refunds	406.76	.	.
Estimated Receipts	.	\$21,378.14	.	.	.	.	.
Accounts Receivable	.	15,586.41	.	.	.	.	.
Tax Title Account	.	2,239.62	.	.	.	.	.
O. A. Assist. Reimburs't	.	1,222.00	.	.	271.67	950.83	.
1937 Tax Levy	.	60.20	.	.	.	.	.
1938 Excise Tax	.	37.00	.	.	.	.	.
1938 Poll Tax	.	16.00	.	.	.	.	.
1938 Tax Levy	.	492.63	.	.	.	.	.
1939 Excise Tax	.	463.76	.	.	.	.	.
1939 Poll Tax	.	66.00	.	.	.	.	.
1939 Tax Levy	.	25,144.76	.	.	.	.	.
1939 Personal Prop. Tax	.	1,665.14	.	.	.	.	.
1940 Excise Tax	.	3,467.68	.	.	.	.	.
1940 Poll Tax	.	886.00	.	.	.	.	.
1940 Tax Levy	.	40,681.12	.	.	.	.	.
1940 Personal Prop. Tax	.	1,987.39	.	.	.	.	.
		<u>\$227,715.92</u>			<u>\$215,786.37</u>		<u>\$1,380.61</u>

* Balance carried forward.

ANNUAL REPORT
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
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RECEIPTS
GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES :**CURRENT YEAR:**

Property	\$ 43,335 79
Poll	886 00

PREVIOUS YEAR:

Property	27,362 73
Poll	82 00
Tax title redemptions	2,239 62

FROM THE STATE:

Corporation	4,045 47
Income	6,364 38
Soldiers' exemption	48 95
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	\$84,364 94

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Liquor	\$1,325 00
All others	102 00
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	\$1,427 00

FINES :

District Court	\$30 00
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	\$30 00

GRANTS AND GIFTS:**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:**

For expenses	\$10,160 67
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	\$10,160 67

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

FROM STATE FOR EDUCATION:

Support of Public Schools	\$1,235 95
Aid to Industrial Schools	232 06
High School tuition	2,824 68
High School transportation	1,311 88
Union superintendency	225 21

FROM STATE FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Highway Chapter 81	4,713 76
Inspector of Animals	87 50

FROM COUNTY:

Dog licenses	\$575 71
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\$21,486 71

ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE:

Cancelled checks	\$189 00
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\$189 00

PRIVILEGES:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$3,968 44
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\$3,968 44

 DEPARTMENTAL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE:

Selectmen	\$ 34 00
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FINANCIAL:

Treasurer	47 49
Collector	45 70

MUNICIPAL BUILDING:

Town Hall	379 80
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\$506 99

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Fire	5 65
Moth	48 65

\$54 30

HEALTH AND SANITATION :

Tuberculosis	\$225 09	
Vaccine refunds	30 00	
Dental clinic	<u>139 50</u>	
		\$394 59

HIGHWAY :

General	\$2,155 24	
State and County joint maintenance	2,720 00	
“ “ “ “ construction	2,139 27	
Chapter 504	<u>4,388 25</u>	
		\$11,402 76

CHARITIES :**REIMBURSEMENTS FOR RELIEF :**

From individuals	\$ 1 50	
From other Cities and Towns	3,139 14	
From State	<u>4,439 74</u>	

REIMBURSEMENTS FOR AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN :

From State	209 17	
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REIMBURSEMENTS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE :

From individual	1,222 00	
From other Cities and Towns	368 14	
From State	<u>7,189 23</u>	
		\$16,568 92

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS :

State aid	\$100 00	
Soldiers' relief	<u>36 70</u>	
		\$136 70

SCHOOLS :

Sale, old desks	<u>\$42 00</u>	
		\$42 00

UNCLASSIFIED :

Sale of land	\$ 95 00	
Boiler insurance, old school	410 00	
Sale of flags	<u>3 50</u>	
		\$508 50

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT:

Sale of power	\$34,933 19	
Miscellaneous	1,508 68	
PUBLIC SCALES	<u>22 90</u>	\$36,464 77

CEMETERIES:

Sale of lots and graves	\$170 00	
Care " " "	473 00	
" " endowed lots	<u>307 95</u>	\$950 95

INTEREST:

On deferred taxes	\$893 50
" excise taxes	17 45

ON PUBLIC TRUST FUNDS:

Mansfield Fund	910 00	
Cummings fund	393 88	
Library	<u>588 93</u>	\$2,803 76

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

Anticipation revenue loans	<u>50,000 00</u>	\$50,000 00
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AGENCY:

Dog taxes	478 40	
Perpetual care funds	<u>280 00</u>	\$758 40

EXPENDITURES

DEPARTMENTAL

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES:

Appropriation	\$2,821 00
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EXPENDITURES

SELECTMEN:

Fred L. Currier	\$100 00	
A. L. Jones	100 00	
Harold E. Tyler	41 66	
Seaver L. Macdonald	<u>41 66</u>	283 32

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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ASSESSORS:

Wm. T. Martin, Jr.	\$275 00	
Fred L. Currier	200 00	
Lyman S. Wilkins	175 00	
		\$650 00

REGISTRARS:

Edward Coffin	\$24 00	
Walter Parker	24 00	
Charles Pasquale	24 00	
J. W. Osborne	24 00	
		96 00

MODERATOR:

George B. Ogden	25 00
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TOWN CLERK:

J. W. Osborne	200 00
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TOWN TREASURER:

George E. Gifford	300 00
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT:

Elmer O. Campbell	400 00
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TAX COLLECTOR:

G. S. Demeritt	\$100 00	
H. E. Tyler	266 64	
		366 64

TOWN COUNSEL:

Wm. H. McSweeney	300 00
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ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMISSIONERS:

Charles Bates	\$50 00	
Richard B. Floyd	50 00	
A. L. Jones	50 00	
		150 00

Total expenditures	\$2,770 96
Transferred to revenue	\$50 04
	\$2,821 00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES:

Appropriation	\$1,400 00	
Special appropriation	421 46	
Transferred from reserve	300 00	
		<u>\$2,121 46</u>

SELECTMEN:

Supplies and printing	105 09	
Postage	24 50	
Transportation	84 65	
Expense at hearings	124 19	
Office equipment	60 00	
Selectmens' Association, dues	6 00	
		<u>404 43</u>

TOWN TREASURER:

Supplies	26 15	
Postage	82 52	
Certifying notes	4 00	
Safe deposit box	15 00	
Tax title expenses	103 49	
Land Court	2 00	
		<u>233 16</u>

ASSESSORS:

Supplies and postage	78 65	
Abstracts	42 00	
Transportation	17 10	
Tax appeal cases	169 26	
Office equipment	56 50	
		<u>363 51</u>

TAX COLLECTOR:

Supplies and printing	149 29	
Postage	89 75	
Tax sale expense	372 40	
Expense to meetings	23 54	
Office equipment	242 50	
Moving safe	24 00	
		<u>901 48</u>

TOWN ACCOUNTANT:

Supplies and printing	52 70	
Postage	8 50	
		<u>61 20</u>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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TOWN CLERK:

Supplies and printing	26 93	
Postage	16 00	
Town Clerks' meetings	3 95	
		<u>46 88</u>

TOWN COUNSEL:

Printing	3 80	
Bus for jury	10 00	
		<u>13 80</u>

REGISTRARS:

Printing	46 50	
Listing	50 50	
		<u>97 00</u>
Total expenditures		<u>\$2,121 46</u>

TOWN HALL:

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Appropriation, salary	500 00	
Transferred from overlay surplus	150 00	
“ “ reserve	13 05	
		<u>\$1,263 05</u>

EXPENDITURES

H. A. Young, janitor	425 00	
A. A. Sheldon, “	75 00	
Fuel and light	443 24	
Water and telephone	97 95	
Repairs	150 86	
Supplies	71 00	
Total expenditures		<u>\$1,263 05</u>

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE DEPARTMENT :

Appropriation	\$850 00
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EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$610 85	
Automobile repairs, gas, oil	106 68	
Equipment	121 71	
Supplies	10 75	
Total expenditures		849 99
Transferred to revenue		01
		\$850 00

CONSTABLE'S SALARY :

Appropriation	\$35 00
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EXPENDITURES

W. H. Milbery, salary	35 00
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FIRE DEPARTMENT :

Appropriation	\$2,000 00	
Refund	5 65	

\$2,005 65

EXPENDITURES

Salary, William H. Young, chief	\$150 00	
“ C. G. Curtis, assistant chief	25 00	
“ B. F. Ogden “ “	25 00	
Salaries, firemen	90 00	
Labor	654 75	
Equipment and repairs	288 53	
Equipment, forest fires	295 10	
Gasoline and oil	30 70	
Building maintenance	285 29	
Fuel and light	85 05	
Office supplies, telephone	17 87	
Lunches	8 60	
Total expenditures		1.955 89
Transferred to revenue		49 76
		\$2,005 65

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES :

Appropriation		\$100 00
	EXPENDITURES	
William H. Young, salary		100 00

TREE WARDEN :

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Special appropriation	<u>150 00</u>	
		\$250 00
	EXPENDITURES	
Labor	\$185 00	
Truck	40 75	
Supplies	<u>16 31</u>	
Total expenditures		242 06
Transferred to revenue		<u>7 94</u>
		\$250 00

MOTH DEPARTMENT :

Appropriation	\$873 45	
Refund from State	<u>28 00</u>	
		\$901 45
	EXPENDITURES	
Labor	\$615 10	
Truck	158 00	
Supplies	<u>128 35</u>	
Total expenditures		\$901 45

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH DEPARTMENT :

Appropriation	\$900 00	
Special appropriation	300 00	
Transferred from reserve	9 62	
Refund	20 80	
		\$1,230 42

EXPENDITURES

Essex Sanatorium, care of patients	\$764 40	
Contagious disease cases	108 00	
Labor on dumps	50 00	
Dog cases—officers and expenses	121 52	
W. A. Giles, agent	40 00	
Lillian B. Goodrich, agent	20 00	
Recording vital statistics	126 50	
Total expenditures		\$1,230 42

ESSEX SANATORIUM ASSESSMENT :

Appropriation	\$934 44
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EXPENDITURES

County treasurer	934 44
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DENTAL CLINIC :

Appropriation	\$400 00
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EXPENDITURES

Dr. W. J. S. McNally, dentist	400 00
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INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING—SALARY :

Appropriation	\$50 00
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EXPENDITURES

H. Bray Wilkins, salary	50 00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR SALARY :

Appropriation	\$175 00
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EXPENDITURES

Lyman S. Wilkins, salary	175 00
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HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY :

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Transferred from Chapter 90 maintenance	240 00	
		\$740 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$236 46	
Supplies	336 24	
Asphalt	92 99	
Office equipment	50 00	
Transferred to road machinery fund	12 25	
		\$727 94
Total expenditures		12 06
Transferred to revenue		\$740 00

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81 :

Appropriation	\$2,800 00	
Received from State	4,500 00	
Transferred from Maple St. construction	1,700 00	
		\$9,000 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$4,761 87	
Truck hire	873 00	
Sand, stone and gravel	180 12	
Supplies	282 33	
Asphalt	1,995 48	
Transferred to road machinery fund	907 20	
		\$9,000 00
Total expenditures		

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 —MAINTENANCE :

Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Received from State	860 00	
“ “ County	860 00	
		\$3,220 00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$982 50	
Truck hire	253 75	
Roller hire	99 00	
Sand, stone and gravel	381 30	
Asphalt	550 76	
Supplies	152 91	
Transferred to road machinery fund	159 78	
Total expenditures		\$2,580 00
Transferred to highway		240 00
“ “ snow		400 00
		<u>\$3,220 00</u>

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90—BOSTON STREET:

Appropriation	\$1,269 92
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EXPENDITURES

Overdraft 1939	\$1,106 32	
W. C. Dobbelin, land damage	163 60	
Total expenditures		<u>\$1,269 92</u>

BRIDGES:

Appropriation	\$300 00	
Transferred from reserve	1 16	
		<u>\$301 16</u>

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$174 60	
Truck hire	24 00	
Supplies	72 81	
Transferred to road machinery fund	29 75	
Total expenditures		<u>\$301 16</u>

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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SIDEWALKS :

Appropriation	\$100 00
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EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$87 40	
Supplies	11 49	
Transferred to road machinery fund	1 11	
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Total expenditures		\$100 00

FENCING :

Appropriation	\$100 00
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EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$60 00	
Supplies	27 75	
Transferred to road machinery fund	12 25	
	<hr/>	
Total expenditures		\$100 00

SNOW :

Appropriation	\$4,000 00	
Transferred from Chapter 90 maintenance	400 00	
Overdraft	683 99	
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		\$5,083 99

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$2,482 35	
Truck hire	1,288 88	
Sand	245 43	
Supplies	86 93	
State highway	4 25	
Transferred to road machinery fund	976 15	
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Total expenditures		\$5,083 99

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

ROAD MACHINERY FUND :

Balance January 1, 1940	\$4,215 34	
Transferred from highway dept.	2,155 24	
		\$6,370 58

EXPENDITURES

Gasoline and oil	\$797 41	
Repairs and parts	838 98	
Storage	167 00	
Supplies	23 77	
Insurance and registration	14 00	
Note on tractor	750 00	
Total expenditures		\$2,591 16
Balance carried forward		3,779 42
		\$6,370 58

STREET LIGHTING :

Appropriation	\$3,360 00
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EXPENDITURES

Middleton Electric Light Dept.	\$3,360 00
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CHARITIES' ACCOUNT

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CHARITIES

PUBLIC WELFARE SALARIES :

Appropriation		\$250 00
	EXPENDITURES	
A. C. Peabody, clerk	\$190 00	
R. B. Floyd	75 00	
J. M. Colbert	75 00	
Total expenditures		\$250 00

PUBLIC WELFARE :

Appropriation	\$10,000 00	
Refund	1 50	
		\$10,001 50

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL EXPENSES:

Transportation—investigation	\$59 95	
Supplies, postage, telephone	83 18	
Office equipment	187 00	
Counsel service	45 00	
		375 13
Cash payment	2,824 25	
Groceries, clothing, rent, etc.	4,387 35	
Medical aid	1,062 50	
Other towns	1,141 55	
Burial expenses	45 00	
Miscellaneous expenses	50 00	
Total expenditures		9,885 78
Transferred to revenue		115 72
		\$10,001 50

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN :

Appropriation	\$550 00	
Federal grant	170 00	
		\$720 00
	EXPENDITURES	
Cash payments	\$621 30	
Transferred to revenue	98 70	
		\$720 00

CHARITIES ACCOUNT

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

Appropriation	\$10,500 00	
Special appropriation	1,600 00	
Federal grant	10,113 52	
		<u>\$22,213 52</u>

EXPENDITURES

Cash payments	\$22,066 32	
Other towns	135 50	
		<u>22,201 82</u>
Total expenditures		22,201 82
Transferred to revenue		11 70
		<u>\$22,213 52</u>

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—ADMINISTRATION:

Balance January 1, 1940	\$102 33	
Federal grant	337 15	
Transferred from A. D. C. administration	13 17	
		<u>\$452 65</u>

EXPENDITURES

A. C. Peabody, agent	\$156 00	
J. M. Colbert, visiting	61 00	
William H. McSweeney, counsel	25 00	
Supplies and equipment	133 00	
		<u>375 00</u>
Total expenditures		375 00
Balance carried forward		77 65
		<u>\$452 65</u>

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—REIMBURSEMENT:

Received from Mason estate	\$1,222 00
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EXPENDITURES

State	\$271 67	
Federal grant	4600 0	
Estimated receipts	490 33	
		<u>\$1,222 00</u>

CHARITIES' ACCOUNT

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SURPLUS COMMODITIES:

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Transferred from overlay surplus	100 00	
		\$600 00

EXPENDITURES

Trucking	\$278 00	
Distribution	114 00	
Supplies	50 46	
Commissary charges	157 08	
Total expenditures		599 54
Transferred to revenue		46
		\$600 00

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

STATE AID :

Appropriation		\$100 00
	EXPENDITURES	
Transferred to soldiers' relief		\$100 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF :

Appropriation		\$600 00	
Transferred from American Legion		100 00	
" " State aid		100 00	
" " reserve		150 00	
		<hr/>	\$950 00
	EXPENDITURES		
On order		\$927 50	
Transferred to revenue		22 50	
		<hr/>	\$950 00

SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$30,000 00
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EXPENDITURES

SALARIES:

Teachers and supervisors	\$12,204 57	
Nurse	456 00	
Physician	70 00	
Truant officer	25 00	
		\$12,755 57

GENERAL EXPENSES:

Salary—superintendent	\$351 00	
Salary—clerk	75 00	
Expense—superintendent	128 63	
Expense—clerk	75 59	
		630 22

Books and supplies	\$1,218 00	
Tuition	7,315 14	
Transportation	3,990 00	
Janitor service	1,394 29	
Building and grounds maintenance	658 99	
Fuel and light	984 94	
Furniture	181 74	
Miscellaneous	93 25	
		15,836 35
Total expenditures		29, 222 14
Transferred to revenue		777 86
		\$30,000 00

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION :

Appropriation	\$650 00
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EXPENDITURES

Tuition	\$447 88	
Transportation	174 00	
		\$621 88
Total expenditures		\$621 88
Transferred to revenue		28 12
		\$650 00

LIBRARY :

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Dog tax refund	575 71	
		\$1,075 71

EXPENDITURES

On order		\$1,075 71
(For detailed report see Trustees report)		

PARK :

Appropriation	\$200 00	
Transferred from reserve	50 00	
		\$250 00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$151 75	
Roller hire	29 00	
Truck "	14 25	
Gravel	3 00	
Supplies	52 00	
Total expenditures		\$250 00

CEMETERY

CEMETERY SALARIES:

Appropriation	\$45 00
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	EXPENDITURES
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R. N. Maxwell, superintendent of burials	\$15 00
J. A. Atwood, commissioner	10 00
G. E. Barnaby, "	10 00
A. C. Peabody, "	10 00
	10 00

	\$45 00
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CEMETERY DEPARTMENT:

Appropriation	\$800 00
Endowment funds	307 95
	307 95

	\$1,107 95
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	EXPENDITURES
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Labor	\$1,032 95
Truck hire	22 50
Supplies	33 54
Water	17 70
	17 70

Total expenditures	\$1,106 69
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Transferred to revenue	1 26
	1 26

	\$1,107 95
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CEMETERY GRAVES:

Appropriation	\$400 00
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	EXPENDITURES
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Labor	\$322 05
Truck	24 27
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Total expenditures	\$346 32
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Transferred to revenue	53 68
	53 68

	\$400 00
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CEMETERY ENDOWMENT:

Received	\$280 00
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	EXPENDITURES
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Deposited in Savings Bank	\$280 00
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MEMORIAL DAY:

Appropriation		\$250 00
EXPENDITURES		
Band	\$110 00	
Flowers, wreaths and flags	54 20	
Speaker and music	40 00	
Refreshments, school children	27 50	
Printing	7 00	
Total expenditures		\$238 70
Transferred to revenue		11 30
		<hr/> \$250 00

AMERICAN LEGION:

Appropriation		\$150 00
EXPENDITURES		
Transferred to soldiers' relief	\$100 00	
Transferred to revenue	50 00	
		<hr/> \$150 00

CONTINGENT FUND:

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from reserve	87	
		<hr/> \$1,000 87

EXPENDITURES

ELECTION AND TOWN MEETINGS:

Printing and delivering town reports	\$263 50	
Printing ballots	24 65	
Election officers	250 50	
Election officers' lunches	67 00	
Repair ballot box	10 00	
Voting booths	120 48	
Recounts	42 00	
		<hr/> \$778 13

Maintenance, old school	\$ 21 90	
Scales, repairs	2 00	
Flowers	30 00	
Christmas tree lights	5 25	
Signs	6 00	
Perambulating	108 12	
Repair storage shed	49 47	
		<u>222 74</u>
Total expenditures		<u>\$1,000 87</u>

W. P. A. PROJECTS :

Appropriation	\$2,500 00	
Balance January 1, 1940	1,269 67	
		<u>\$3,769 67</u>

EXPENDITURES

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

Salary	\$1,020 25	
Postage and supplies	5 80	
		<u>\$1,026 05</u>
Repair storage shed		24 91
Sidewalk project	1,976 58	
Cemetery "	353 59	
Park "	79 50	
Moth "	52 30	
Veterans' grave registration	31 34	
No. Main St. drain	14 05	
		<u>\$2,507 36</u>
Total expenditures		3,558 32
Balance carried forward		211 35
		<u>\$3,769 67</u>

INSURANCE :

Appropriation	\$1,250 00
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EXPENDITURES

Employers' liability	\$438 95	
New school	454 50	
Sealer's equipment	23 80	
Fire department	11 25	
Clerk's bond	7 50	
Collector's bond and burglary insurance	239 00	
Treasurer's " " " "	75 00	
		<u>\$1,250 00</u>
Total expenditures		

INTEREST :

Appropriation		\$1,000 00
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EXPENDITURES

Revenue notes	\$ 59 31	
School construction notes	840 00	
Tractor note	6 56	
Tax abatement	4 63	
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Total expenditures		\$910 50
Transferred to revenue		89 50
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		\$1,000 00

MANSFIELD FUND :

Balance January 1, 1940	\$ 18 52	
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.	910 00	
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		\$928 52

EXPENDITURES

Band concerts	\$236 15	
Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets	255 54	
Picnic	226 50	
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Total expenditures		\$718 19
Balance carried forward		210 33
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		\$928 52

RESERVE FUND :

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Transferred from overlay reserve	100 00	
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		\$700 00

TRANSFERS

Town officers expenses	\$421 46	
Soldiers' relief	150 00	
Park	50 00	
Town Hall	13 05	
Health	9 62	
Bridge	1 16	
Contingent	87	
Revenue	53 84	
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		\$700 00

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

TEMPORARY LOANS:

Balance outstanding January 1, 1940	\$35,000 00	
Borrowed in anticipation of revenue	<u>50,000 00</u>	
		\$85,000 00

EXPENDITURES

Merchants National Bank	\$60,000 00	
Balance outstanding December 31, 1940	<u>25,000 00</u>	
		\$85,000 00

MATURING DEBT:

Appropriation		\$3,000 00
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EXPENDITURES

School construction		\$3,000 00
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COUNTY CHARGES:

County tax	\$3,227 80	
Dog tax	<u>478 40</u>	
		\$3,706 20

EXPENDITURES

County Treasurer		\$3,706 20
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STATE TREASURER:

State tax	\$5,440 00	
Assessments	<u>76 85</u>	
		\$5,516 85

EXPENDITURES

State Treasurer		\$5,516 85
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TAX REFUNDS:

1939 tax levy	\$83 42	
1939 motor vehicle excise tax	11 88	
1939 personal property tax	165 18	
1940 motor vehicle excise tax	<u>146 28</u>	
		\$406 76

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS

Energy sold	\$31,581 69	
Street lighting appropriation	3,360 00	
Supplies sold	468 47	
Private work	167 55	
Energy refund	246 16	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	78 00	
		<u>\$35,901 87</u>

EXPENDITURES

ENERGY PURCHASED:		
Eastern Mass. Electric Co.	\$20,166 57	
Danvers Electric Light Dept.	32 78	
Reading Electric Light Dept.	12 00	
		<u>\$20,211 35</u>
MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION:		
Labor	\$4,386 05	
Truck maintenance	612 02	
Supplies and express	3,825 32	
Boston St. line	450 00	
Insurance	225 84	
		<u>\$11,499 23</u>
Office supplies and expenses	517 98	
A. B. Harrington, salary	1,000 00	
		<u>1,517 98</u>
Transferred to depreciation		1,733 65
Total expenditures		34,962 21
Balance carried forward		939 66
		<u>\$35,901 87</u>

DEPRECIATION FUND:

Balance January 1, 1940	\$1,294 21	
Transferred to fund	1,733 65	
Balance carried forward		<u>\$3,027 86</u>

METER DEPOSIT FUND:

Balance January 1, 1940	1,656 50	
Deposits	540 00	
		<u>\$2,196 50</u>

EXPENDITURES

Refunds	393 50	
Balance carried forward	1,803 00	
		<u>\$2,196 50</u>

INCOME STATEMENT :

Metered sales to private consumers	\$31,849 00	
Municipal revenues	<u>3,720 64</u>	
		\$35,569 64

EXPENDITURES

Electric energy purchased	\$20,232 68	
Operation of lines	4,218 50	
Maintenance of lines	1,045 94	
“ “ meters and transformers	154 22	
Utilization—maintenance	827 13	
Salary of manager	1,000 00	
Office salary	60 00	
Office supplies and expenses	457 98	
Insurance	225 84	
Transportation expenses	619 77	
Depreciation	<u>1,733 65</u>	
		\$30,575 71
Uncollectable revenues		6 50
Surplus applied to depreciation		466 30
Balance to profit and loss		<u>4,521 13</u>
		\$35,569 64

BALANCE SHEET :

ASSETS

Plant investment	\$34,675 38	
General equipment	1,874 78	
Cash	2,742 66	
Accounts receivable	7,268 75	
Supplies on hand	2,521 30	
Depreciation fund	<u>3,027 86</u>	
		\$52,110 73

LIABILITIES

Appropriation for construction	9,290 78	
Accounts payable	2,267 95	
Customers' deposits	1,803 00	
Loan repayment	4,500 00	
Appropriation for construction, repayment	750 00	
Profit and loss	<u>33,499 00</u>	
		\$52,110 73

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1940

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash on hand	\$ 48,792 83	Temporary Loans	\$25,000 00
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		Mansfield Fund Income	210 32
TAXES—	\$	Cemetery Lots Fund	565 00
Levy of 1937	16 39	Road Machinery Fund	3,779 42
Levy of 1938	174 96	Electric Light, meter deposits	1,803 00
Levy of 1939	410 67	“ “ depreciation	3,027 86
Levy of 1940	17,670 34	“ “ cash	939 66
TAXES—PERSONAL PROPERTY:			5,770 52
“ Levy of 1939	129 15	FEDERAL GRANT:	
“ Levy of 1940	517 83	Old Age Assistance Adm.	77 65
TAXES, POLL: Levy of 1938	16 00	Appropriation Balances	211 35
Levy of 1939	82 00	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	132 00
Levy of 1940	214 00		
TAXES, MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:		OVERLAY RESERVED FOR ABATEMENTS:	
Levy of 1938	38 09	Levy of 1937	76 59
Levy of 1939	133 94	Levy of 1940	1,633 67
Levy of 1940	291 87	Overestimate—State Tax	6 04
Tax Titles			
Departmental—Pub. Welfare	4,000 69	REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED:	
Old Age Assist.	954 72	Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	\$ 463 90
Municipal Light	-	Departmental	4,955 41
Overlay Deficit Levy of 1938	67 55	Tax Titles	9,534 24
“ Levy of 1939	80 27	Municipal Light	7,268 75
Snow Removal Deficit		Surplus revenue	-
1940 Appro's to be raised in 1941			
			\$93,278 28

BALANCE SHEET

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DEBT ACCOUNTS		LIABILITIES	
ASSETS			
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	- -	School Construction Loan	- -
	<u>\$39,000 00</u>		<u>\$39,000 00</u>
TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNTS			
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Trust Funds Cash and Securities:		David Cummings Fund	\$ 9,745 66
In Custody of Town Treasurer	- \$24,644 38	Cemetery Perpetual Fund	14,898 72
In Custody of Library Trustees	- 8,165 53		<u>24,644 38</u>
In Custody of Naumkeag Trust Co.	12,028 13	Charles Flint Library Fund	5,403 75
		Mary E. Emerson Book Fund	2,761 78
			<u>8,165 53</u>
		B. F. Emerson Library Fund	12,028 13
	<u>\$44,838 04</u>		<u>\$44,838 04</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 1944

Balance January 1, 1944

\$36,863.28

RECEIPTS

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR

1938 Tax	\$ 60.20
Interest	7.26
1939 Tax	371.32
Interest	23.89
Poll	16.00
Interest	8.2
Demands	2.80
Excise	35.00
Interest	4.30
Personal	121.31
Interest	9.44
1940 Tax	19,808.97
Interest	518.12
Poll	66.00
Interest	1.47
Demands	8.40
Excise	463.76
Interest	6.85
Personal	1,665.14
Interest	24.43
Advertising	3.00
1941 Tax	40,681.12
Interest	22.39
Poll	886.00
Interest	79
Demands	31.50
Excise	3,467.68
Interest	7.94
Personal	1,987.39
Interest	16

RECEIVED FROM ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.

A. B. HARRINGTON, Manager

Collections	\$31,816.72
Meters	547.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	78.00
Supplies sold	467.97
Private work	169.55

TREASURER'S REPORT

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CEMETERY LOTS SOLD

R. N. Maxwell	\$170 00
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OPENING GRAVES

R. N. Maxwell	473 00
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ENDOWED LOTS

280 00

RECEIVED FROM COUNTY OF ESSEX

Vaccine refund	\$ 30 00
Boston Street	534 63
Highways	860 00
Dog tax refund	575 71

RECEIVED FROM STATE TREASURER

Highways, 6979	1,000 00
“ 6566	1,604 64
“ 3213	213 76
“ Chap. 504	4,388 25
“ 3390	4,500 00
“ 7401	860 00
Aid dependent children	209 17
Vocational education	232 06
Loss of taxes	667 28
Public health	204 29
Moth	28 00
Old age assistance U. S. grant	9,653 52
“ “ “ grant, administration	337 15
Aid dependent children, U. S. grant	170 00
Temporary aid	4,418 74
Veterans' exemption	48 95
Mass. school fund	1,235 95
Corporation tax	4,045 47
Income tax	6,364 38
Old age assistance	7,189 23
Soldiers' burial	100 00
Indigent persons	21 00
Livestock disease control	87 50
High school tuition	2,824 68
“ “ transportation	1,431 17
Supt. of schools	225 21

PUBLIC WELFARE

Town of Danvers	\$774 75
“ “ “ O. A. A.	57 50
“ “ Wayland, S. R.	36 70
“ “ North Reading, O. A. A.	60 00
“ “ Andover	8 00
“ “ Ipswich, O. A. A.	47 00
“ “ Stoughton	19 00
City “ Peabody	720 59
“ “ “ O. A. A.	99 47
“ “ Beverly	233 65
“ “ Cambridge, O. A. A.	77 50
“ “ Salem	494 50
“ “ Boston	762 79
“ “ Lynn, O. A. A.	26 67
“ “ Somerville	125 86

LICENSES

LIQUOR:

Phaneuf and Dudley	\$150 00
V. Dobbelin	150 00
John Katz	250 00
Middleton Arms	350 00
Thomas Sleet	150 00
R. D. Hurlburt	125 00
A. E. Richards	150 00

ADVERTISING

Phaneuf and Dudley	2 00
V. Dobbelin	2 00
John Katz	2 00
Thomas Sleet	2 00
R. D. Hurlburt	2 00
Fred Cashman	2 50
Charles Curtis	2 00
Wm. McMillan	2 00
E. Anderson	2 50
Mrs. Webber	2 00
C. Leonard	1 00
Fred Cashman	5 00

VICTUALLERS'

Phaneuf and Dudley	1 00
T. Sleet	1 00
Hazel Welch	1 00

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Fred Cashman	\$1 00
A. E. Richards	1 00
Anna Lebel	1 00
INN HOLDERS'	
V. Doebblin	5 00
Middleton Arms	5 00
MOTOR VEHICLE, GAS, ALCOHOL	
Thomas Sleet	\$2 00
George Webber	4 00
E. Trembley	1 00
Hazel Welch	2 00
M. MacWhinnie	2 00
Muzichuck	1 00
Geo. Groce	1 00
E. Bryer	2 00
Geo. Stahler	9 00
E. Hoffman	5 00
Wm. McMillan	2 00
Harold Currier	2 00
Edw. Cameron	4 00
JUNK	
Eli London	5 00
James Teague	5 00
SUNDAY	
Lawrence White	1 00
Geo. Groce	1 00
H. Richardson	1 00
P. Donovan	1 00
H. Germain	1 00
E. Graham	1 00
E. Hoffman	1 00
D. Chase	1 00
W. Pezold	1 00
J. E. Meagher	1 00
Wm. Smagula	1 00
E. Bryer	1 00
SPECIAL LICENSES	
Atlantic & Pacific, oleo	50
J. McKenne, fish	5 00
J. E. & G. L. Dunn, undertakers	2 00
O. H. Sheldon, auctioneers	2 00

J. E. Meagher, pop corn	\$ 1 00
Arthur Hardy, fish	5 00
H. K. Richardson, pasteurizing	10 00
M. Picariello, slaughtering	1 00
M. Trembley, sausage	1 00
REVOLVER LICENSES	6 50
ROAD MACHINERY FUND	2,155 24
TAX TITLES	2,458 97
MISCELLANEOUS	
H. K. Richardson, weighing fees	22 90
Town of Tewksbury, sale of desks	42 00
Sale of lots	95 00
Merchants Bank Notes	50,000 00
J. W. Osborne, dog tax	478 40
H. A. Young, rent of Town Hall	337 90
Albert Sheldon, " " " "	41 90
" " sale of lead	20 65
N. Maxwell, refund	1 50
Old Colony Trust, Mansfield Fund	910 00
Chas. Mason Est., O. A. A. refund	1,222 00
Hartford Steam Boiler Ins.	410 00
Red Men, flags	3 50
American Surety Co. of N. Y.	5,449 12
District Court, fines	30 00
Checks cancelled	191 63
A. Phaneuf, telephone refunds	5 65
P. Kingsley, dental clinic	65 00
L. Willey, " "	74 50
Salem Five Cents Savings, endowed lots interest	88 55
Danvers Savings Bank " " "	182 20
Salem Savings Bank " " "	37 20
G. E. Mutual Benefit Asso.	20 80
Total receipts	<u>\$227,715 92</u>
	\$264,579 20
EXPENDITURES	
Selectmens' orders	\$215,786 37
Balance December 31, 1940	\$48,792 82

GEORGE E. GIFFORD, Treasurer

LAND OWNED BY TOWN

The Town owns the following parcels of land. These parcels have been deeded to the Town by the Treasurer:

IN SUMMIT VIEW PARK:

Lots Numbers 9, 30/34 inclusive; 51, 57, 94, 115/119 inclusive; 136/148 inclusive; 164/177 inclusive; 212, 213, 215/218 inclusive, 242, 248/251 inclusive; 257/270 inclusive; 288/301 inclusive; 315/318 inclusive; 321, 329, 330, 333/337 inclusive; 344/371 inclusive; 376, 378, 387/398 inclusive. *-247 Inc. OK*

IN MIDDLETON PINES:

Lots Numbers 308, 309, 398, 399, 400, 402, 404, ~~554, 555, 556~~, 767/769 inclusive; 1068, 1069, 1149. *error OK*

IN RIVER VIEW PARK:

Lots Numbers ~~31/33~~ inclusive; 52/55 inclusive; 234/238 inclusive; 258/261 inclusive; ~~280, 281, 282~~, 302, 303, 304—Section 1. *J.R. Manual*

Lots Numbers 61/64, 79, 80, 81, 196, 197, ~~215~~—Section 2. *Throck*

Wayne Ballard

WOODLAND PARK:

Lots Numbers 52, 53, 54, 575, 576.

200-201-202-203-204-205-206-207-208-209-210-211-212-213-214-215-216-217-218-219-220-221-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-232-233-234-235-236-237-238-239-240-241-242-243-244-245-246-247-248-249-250-251-252-253-254-255-256-257-258-259-260-261-262-263-264-265-266-267-268-269-270-271-272-273-274-275-276-277-278-279-280-281-282-283-284-285-286-287-288-289-290-291-292-293-294-295-296-297-298-299-300-301-302-303-304-305-306-307-308-309-310-311-312-313-314-315-316-317-318-319-320-321-322-323-324-325-326-327-328-329-330-331-332-333-334-335-336-337-338-339-340-341-342-343-344-345-346-347-348-349-350-351-352-353-354-355-356-357-358-359-360-361-362-363-364-365-366-367-368-369-370-371-372-373-374-375-376-377-378-379-380-381-382-383-384-385-386-387-388-389-390-391-392-393-394-395-396-397-398-399-400-401-402-403-404-405-406-407-408-409-410-411-412-413-414-415-416-417-418-419-420-421-422-423-424-425-426-427-428-429-430-431-432-433-434-435-436-437-438-439-440-441-442-443-444-445-446-447-448-449-450-451-452-453-454-455-456-457-458-459-460-461-462-463-464-465-466-467-468-469-470-471-472-473-474-475-476-477-478-479-480-481-482-483-484-485-486-487-488-489-490-491-492-493-494-495-496-497-498-499-500-501-502-503-504-505-506-507-508-509-510-511-512-513-514-515-516-517-518-519-520-521-522-523-524-525-526-527-528-529-530-531-532-533-534-535-536-537-538-539-540-541-542-543-544-545-546-547-548-549-550-551-552-553-554-555-556-557-558-559-560-561-562-563-564-565-566-567-568-569-570-571-572-573-574-575-576-577-578-579-580-581-582-583-584-585-586-587-588-589-590-591-592-593-594-595-596-597-598-599-600-601-602-603-604-605-606-607-608-609-610-611-612-613-614-615-616-617-618-619-620-621-622-623-624-625-626-627-628-629-630-631-632-633-634-635-636-637-638-639-640-641-642-643-644-645-646-647-648-649-650-651-652-653-654-655-656-657-658-659-660-661-662-663-664-665-666-667-668-669-670-671-672-673-674-675-676-677-678-679-680-681-682-683-684-685-686-687-688-689-690-691-692-693-694-695-696-697-698-699-700-701-702-703-704-705-706-707-708-709-710-711-712-713-714-715-716-717-718-719-720-721-722-723-724-725-726-727-728-729-730-731-732-733-734-735-736-737-738-739-740-741-742-743-744-745-746-747-748-749-750-751-752-753-754-755-756-757-758-759-760-761-762-763-764-765-766-767-768-769-770-771-772-773-774-775-776-777-778-779-780-781-782-783-784-785-786-787-788-789-790-791-792-793-794-795-796-797-798-799-800-801-802-803-804-805-806-807-808-809-810-811-812-813-814-815-816-817-818-819-820-821-822-823-824-825-826-827-828-829-830-831-832-833-834-835-836-837-838-839-840-841-842-843-844-845-846-847-848-849-850-851-852-853-854-855-856-857-858-859-860-861-862-863-864-865-866-867-868-869-870-871-872-873-874-875-876-877-878-879-880-881-882-883-884-885-886-887-888-889-890-891-892-893-894-895-896-897-898-899-900-901-902-903-904-905-906-907-908-909-910-911-912-913-914-915-916-917-918-919-920-921-922-923-924-925-926-927-928-929-930-931-932-933-934-935-936-937-938-939-940-941-942-943-944-945-946-947-948-949-950-951-952-953-954-955-956-957-958-959-960-961-962-963-964-965-966-967-968-969-970-971-972-973-974-975-976-977-978-979-980-981-982-983-984-985-986-987-988-989-990-991-992-993-994-995-996-997-998-999-1000

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Cemetery Endowment Account—1940

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1939	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1940
Atwood, L. Frank - -	360	\$100 00	\$119 92	\$3 59	\$2 40	\$121 11
Atwood, Morrison - -	128	150 00	154 90	4 70	2 65	156 95
Averill, Edward P. - -	52	100 00	103 50	3 13	2 00	104 63
Averill, Joseph - - -	346	100 00	102 68	3 09	2 00	103 77
Barnaby, Caroline V. -	646	100 00	111 95	3 38	1 80	113 53
Batchelder, Harold T. -	528	75 00	76 80	2 32	1 30	77 82
Berry, Allen - - -	112	125 00	131 51	3 95	1 85	133 61
Berry, William - - -	178	100 00	103 25	3 10	2 05	104 30
Bouchard, Louis - - -	706	100 00	103 47	3 11	2 00	104 58
Brown, Sarah F. ½ - -	436	50 00	51 59	1 54	1 00	52 13
Bryer, Allen D. - - -	526	100 00	103 34	3 10	2 00	104 44
Carter, Mary O. - - -	137	80 00				80 00
Conlon, Mary A. - - -		100 00	105 65	3 20	2 30	106 55
Curry, Mary A. - - -	342	100 00	104 48	3 17	2 00	105 65
Curtis, Phoebe - - -		50 00	51 75	1 54	95	52 34
Day, Weaver - - - -		150 00		1 88		151 88
Dame, John - - - -	234	150 00	155 04	4 67	2 20	157 51
Day, Mrs. Geo. E. - -	588	50 00	51 81	1 55	1 00	52 36
Demsey, J. W. - - -	156	100 00	103 30	3 10	2 00	104 40
Dennett, Ruth H. - -	24	75 00	76 04	2 29	1 90	76 43
Downing, William H. -	626	100 00	105 80	2 65	90	107 55
Eaton, Irvin L. - - -	168	75 00	76 60	2 29	2 00	76 89
Emerson, Benjamin F. -	214	150 00	157 43	4 73	2 30	159 86
Emerson, Ellen M. - -	138	100 00	102 34	2 57	1 85	103 06
Emerson, Eunice W. -	166	100 00	104 89	3 15	2 15	105 89
Emerson, Henry P. - -	496	500 00	524 00	13 18	12 60	524 58
Estey Annie E. - - -	572	100 00	102 68	3 09	2 15	103 62
Esty, Allena A. - - -	258	200 00	218 16	6 58	2 80	221 94
Esty and Hutchinson -	48	100 00	103 84	3 11	2 00	104 95
Estey, Loren G. - - -	538	100 00	110 20	2 27		112 97
Fletcher, Samuel A. - -	130	100 00	102 52	2 57	2 10	102 99
Flint, George B. - - -	152	66 30	68 55	2 05	1 60	69 00
Flint, Harley A. - - -	256	100 00	102 27	2 57	2 05	102 79
Fowler, Alonzo - - -	12	100 00	103 61	3 11	2 00	104 72
Frame, L. Maria - - -	516	125 00	127 61	3 83	2 10	129 34
Fuller, Abijah - - - -	110	150 00	165 14	4 15	2 30	166 99
Fuller, Daniel - - - -	628	100 00	103 88	3 11	2 00	104 99
Fuller, Jeremiah - - -	70	125 00	137 08	4 16	2 10	139 14
Fuller, Lida A. - - - -	686	100 00	103 68	3 11	1 95	104 84
Fuller, Luella F. - - -	158	150 00	150 00	4 16	3 00	151 16
Fuller, Sophronia - - -	236	200 00	225 51	6 79	3 00	229 30

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1939	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1940
Fuller, Timothy & Lydia	268	100 00	104 76	3 17	2 10	105 83
Fuller and Taylor - -	644	150 00	150 00	4 16	3 00	151 16
Fuller, William H. - -	336	100 00	103 24	3 10	2 10	104 24
Frost, Chas. O. - - -	240	150 00	158 69	3 98	2 05	160 62
Gifford, William - - -	180	100 00	102 99	3 09	2 00	104 08
Gilbert, James - - -	188	100 00	104 08	3 13	2 10	105 11
Godfrey, William R. -	714	100 00	119 44	3 59	20 10	102 93
Goswiler, Carl B. - - -	716	150 00	163 74	4 95	1 90	166 79
Gould, Andrew - - -	352	50 00	52 90	1 31	90	53 31
Gould, Eben - - - -	514	100 00	105 43	3 17	2 05	106 55
Gould, Porter I. - - -	414	100 00	104 41	3 13	1 95	105 59
Goodwin, Ira E, Heirs of	380	100 00	102 83	3 09	1 80	104 12
Graves, D. A. - - - -	234	100 00	103 32	3 10	2 10	104 32
Graves, Kendall E. - -	586	100 00	102 66	3 09	2 00	103 65
Hall, E. P. - - - - -	106	100 00	106 96	3 23	2 10	108 09
Ham, Elinor P. - - -	356	125 00	130 16	3 93	2 20	131 89
Harlow, Levi F. - - -	684	100 00	103 20	3 11	1 85	104 46
Haskell, Ella C. - - -	390	200 00	215 36	6 52	20 10	201 78
Higgins, Lewis S. - - -	264	100 00	108 09	3 27	2 00	109 36
Hobbs, Kathryn - - -	588	50 00	51 90	1 56	1 00	52 46
Hutchinson, Caroline A.	253	100 00	103 13	3 10	2 10	104 13
Hutchinson, Elisha P. -	740	100 00	103 17	3 10	2 05	104 22
Hutchinson and Russell -	518	100 00	102 19	3 09	2 05	103 23
Jones, John E. - - -	372	100 00	102 61	3 10	2 10	103 61
Jones, Samuel - - - -	290	100 00	104 94	3 17	1 80	106 31
Johnson, Frank E. - -	804	100 00	105 01	3 16	1 50	106 67
Leavitt, Jerome - - -	62	150 00	154 94	4 66	2 20	157 40
McIntire, Abram S. - -	132	75 00	77 15	2 32	1 60	77 87
McIntire, Annie M. - -	338	100 00	107 15	3 22	2 00	108 37
Peabody, Andrew - - -	56	100 00	102 17	3 07	2 00	103 24
Peabody, A. W. - - - -	90	200 00	233 09	7 07	2 20	237 96
Peabody, Dean - - - -	344	100 00	102 34	3 09	2 30	103 13
Peabody & Hutchinson	182-84	150 00	153 54	4 61	2 60	155 55
Peabody, John L. - - -	196	100 00	104 39	3 13	2 10	105 42
Peabody, Laura E. - - -	534	100 00	104 67	3 17	2 00	105 84
Peabody, Merrill - - -	754	100 00	105 29	2 64	2 05	105 88
Peabody, S. Maria - - -	584	100 00	103 77	3 11	2 00	104 88
Peabody, Samuel M. - -	204	100 00	103 70	3 11	2 10	104 71
Peabody, William M. -		100 00	103 76	3 11	2 00	104 87
Pike, Sarah J. - - -	412	125 00	130 74	3 93	2 40	132 27
Phelps, Annie H. - - -	146	150 00	163 11	4 10	2 10	165 11

Cemetery Endowment Account—Continued

NAME	No. of Lot	Fund	Balance 1939	Interest Received	Amount Paid Out	Balance 1940
Phelps, William A. - -	148	\$100 00	\$103 53	\$3 11	2 00	104 64
Richardson, Benj. F. -	164	100 00	104 65	3 17	2 20	105 62
Richardson, Eli - - -	363	150 00	156 68	4 72	\$2 35	\$159 05
Richardson, Daniel - -	-	100 00	104 52	3 17	2 10	105 59
Richardson, Rev. D. W.	410	100 00	104 42	3 16	2 15	105 43
Richardson, Lucy G. -	80	100 00	103 02	3 10	2 00	104 12
Richardson, William J.	250	150 00	151 50	3 80	2 10	153 20
Russell, Harriett W. -	-	100 00	103 54	3 11	2 15	104 50
Russell, P. B. - - - -	430	200 00	217 77	6 56	3 80	220 53
Smith, E. D. & M. J. -	436	100 00	102 72	3 09	2 10	103 71
Smith, Sarah F. - - -	102	150 00	160 53	4 83	2 20	163 16
Smith, George H. - -	764	100 00	106 14	2 67	2 05	106 76
Skinner & Wilkins - -	400	100 00	103 98	3 11	2 10	104 99
Sargent, James A. - -	750	100 00	103 21	3 10	1 10	104 21
Soper, Polly A. - - -	298	100 00	103 45	3 10	2 15	104 40
Stiles, David - - - -	-	150 00	161 31	4 85	2 10	164 06
Stiles, Farnham - - -	10	100 00	103 30	3 10	2 05	104 35
Stiles, Hiram A. - - -	30	150 00	156 05	4 73	2 20	158 58
Stiles, Osgood F. - -	424	150 00	156 92	4 75	2 30	159 37
Stiles, Sumner P. - -	482	150 00	156 36	4 73	2 30	158 79
Symonds, Charles H. -	448	100 00	104 69	2 61	2 10	105 20
Taylor, Benjamin H. -	334	100 00	104 24	3 16	2 00	105 40
Tedford, Joseph A. - -	810	150 00	120 86	3 63	20 10	154 39
Tyler, Ansel P. - - -	540	150 00	154 90	4 66	-	159 56
Thomas, H. Amelia - -	64	75 00	77 17	2 32	1 60	77 89
Thompson, C. E. & Ellen	392	200 00	230 07	6 94	3 30	233 71
Tufts, Wilbur - - - -	486	100 00	102 48	3 09	2 10	103 47
Wellman, John R. - - -	40	200 00	215 05	6 49	4 00	217 54
Weston, Samuel W. - -	36	200 00	205 39	6 19	3 85	207 73
White, Henry F. - - -	208	80 00	82 19	2 49	2 05	82 63
Whitman, Carl N. - - -	116	100 00	102 46	3 07	2 00	103 53
Wilkins, Henry A. - - -	254	100 00	103 25	3 10	2 00	104 35
Wilkins, Edward W. -	172	150 00	177 04	5 37	2 40	180 01
Wilkins, Susan A. - - -	596	100 00	102 99	2 58	2 05	103 52
Wilkins, Samuel H. - -	230	100 00	104 88	3 17	2 15	105 90
Wilkins, Luther - - -	176	150 00	167 16	5 03	2 50	169 69
Wilkins, Timothy - - -	50	100 00	106 96	3 21	2 20	107 97
Young, John - - - -	278	100 00	102 55	3 10	2 05	103 60
Totals		\$12,226 30	\$14,499 62	\$427 05	\$307 95	\$14,898 72

CUMMINGS FUND

Balance January 1, 1940	\$8,728 53
United Shoe Machinery Company, shares	975 00

RECEIPTS

United Shoe Machinery Co., dividends	\$156 02	
Salem Savings Bank, interest	107 49	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, interest	130 37	
		393 88
Total income		10,097 41
Trustees' orders paid		351 75
		<hr/> \$9,745 66

Balance December 31, 1940		
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	\$4,327 53	
Salem Savings Bank	4,380 96	
Merchants National Bank	62 17	
U. S. Machinery Co., shares	975 00	
		<hr/> \$9,745 66

GEORGE E. GIFFORD,
Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Various Departments

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1940

PART II

PAYROLL ANALYSIS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
A. B. Bent	\$ 42 50	
Thomas Bott	361 25	
A. Bradley	4 00	
C. Campbell	13 50	
S. Caverly	3 00	
W. Clark	6 25	
C. Clinch	22 00	
M. Collins	37 00	
C. Cook	2 50	
Elmer Currier	57 50	
Fred Currier		\$ 12 90
George Currier	15 00	
C. G. Curtis	750 00	
H. Dearborn	35 00	
P. Donovan		339 50
R. Dukeshire	25 25	
S. Earl	311 25	
A. M. Evans	304 00	
G. Evans	741 25	
G. Fanning	14 00	
A. Fuller	4 00	
R. Fuller	30 50	
V. Gallant	7 00	
Arthur Gould	754 50	
Raymond Gould	8 00	
Roger Gould	97 50	
D. Hagan	19 75	
C. Hood	2 50	
R. Jenkins	13 25	
P. Johnson		396 25
E. Jones	26 50	
A. Kitchin	8 00	
T. Kłowsowski		489 30
H. Knowlton	4 00	
A. Leary	2 00	
R. McKenny	11 00	
L. Magnus	17 00	
A. Marshall	682 60	
Wm. Martin, Sr.	29 00	

	Labor	Truck
N. Maxwell	\$14 25	
R. Maxwell	13 50	
E. Meade	8 50	
A. Miller	8 00	
L. Moreau	299 05	\$493 78
E. Morrill	5 00	
B. Morrison	48 00	
R. Morton	12 50	
F. Nelson	30 25	
B. Ogden	1,478 04	
J. R. Osborne, Est.		194 25
A. Paige	22 25	57 00
M. Paine	201 50	
C. Pasquale	27 00	
L. Peabody	9 00	
R. Peabody	712 00	
J. Peart	70 00	
E. Pellerin	13 00	
Jos. Pellerin	4 00	
E. Pelletier	34 75	
C. Phaneuf	16 25	
J. Phaneuf	102 25	
J. Piccariello	5 50	
S. Pike	5 50	
J. Porter	2 50	
C. Richardson	13 50	
E. Roberts	4 50	
E. Rogers	382 00	
J. Ross		21 00
E. Rowell	688 60	
F. Rubchinook	16 75	
T. Ryer	12 00	
R. Sanborn	48 75	
A. Sheldon	51 75	423 65
G. Sheldon	5 00	
O. Sheldon	2 00	
G. Sund	74 25	
M. Travers	18 00	
H. Tyler	12 00	
E. Wennerberg	22 00	
J. Wentworth	6 50	
W. Wetherall	4 00	

PAYROLL ANALYSIS

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	Labor	
H. Wiley	41 25	
W. Wilkins	25 00	
R. Woodbury	38 00	
	<u>\$9,019 79</u>	<u>\$2,427 63</u>

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPRATMENT

	Labor	Truck
T. Brackett	\$ 2,030 25	
R. Currier	1,255 00	
M. Paine	28 00	
H. Porter	1,824 75	
A. Sheldon	7 20	
R. Thomas	12 00	
	<u>\$5,157 20</u>	

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
T. Bott	\$ 58 50	
H. Day	30 75	
F. Evans	6 75	
R. Fuller	13 00	
P. Johnson		\$11 25
D. King		2 00
H. Knowlton	5 50	
M. Maxwell	28 00	
R. Maxwell	513 90	40 47
E. McDonald	6 25	
A. Miller	18 25	
B. Morrison	8 00	
V. Morrison	10 25	
J. Nagle	9 00	
F. Nelson	17 75	
E. Pellerin	7 50	
J. Pellerin	49 25	
E. Rowell	10 75	
L. Soper	2 00	
A. Wilkins	4 00	
W. Wilkins	534 75	
	<u>\$1,345 40</u>	<u>\$53 72</u>

POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Labor
C. Colbert	\$ 59 00
H. Dearborn	24 50
J. Dow	1 50
R. Jewell	69 00
E. McDonald	8 00
H. Milbury	247 60
B. Ogden	23 00
A. Sheldon	94 50
G. Webber	12 00
P. Webber	71 75
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	\$ 610 85

MOTH DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
C. Baker	\$ 20 00	\$ 4 00
T. Bott	13 00	
M. Bullerwell	50	
C. Cook	2 25	
E. Currier	2 50	
H. Dearborn	12 50	
F. Evans	11 00	
C. Kiley	54 50	
C. Kinney	3 00	
R. McKenney	9 25	
B. Morrison	2 00	
F. Nelson	56 50	
A. Paige	5 00	
M. Paine	22 25	
R. Peabody	11 00	
J. Peart	10 00	
C. Richardson	179 50	15 50
E. Rogers	8 00	
R. Sanborn	33 00	
A. Sheldon	282 30	108 25
O. Sheldon		70 00
G. Sund	8 00	
M. Travers	12 75	
H. Wiley	19 00	
A. Wilkins	8 00	
R. Woodbury	19 75	
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	\$ 805 55	<hr/>
		\$ 197 75

LIST OF JURORS

The following is a List of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws:

Name	Street	Occupation
J. Allen Atwood	Maple St.	Retired
Charles E. Arling	So. Main Street	Attendant
George E. Barnaby	Liberty Street	Retired
Frederick E. Burnham	Mt. Vernon Street	Music Teacher
Edward E. Coffin	School Street	Farmer
John J. Colbert	Liberty Street	Restaurant Owner
Galen B. Howe	King Street	Milk Dealer
Richard N. Maxwell	Forest Street	Mason
Louis V. Moreau	Central Street	Foreman
Arthur T. Page	Maple Street	Machinist
Elisha M. Randall	School Street	Mill Worker
Harley M. Tyler	North Main Street	Janitor
H. Bray Wilkins	East Street	Farmer
Henry A. Young	Mt. Vernon Street	Janitor
Thomas A. Joyce	Pleasant Street	Retired



FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY—TRUSTEES' REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME:

Balance January 1, 1939	\$103 71	
Naumkeag Trust Co.	424 46	
Essex Savings Bank	20 00	
Broadway Savings Bank	37 72	
Mary Esty Emerson, deposit savings bank	88 75	
S. E. Carlton, fines	18 00	
		\$ 692 24
Town appropriation and dog tax		1,075 71
		<u>\$1,767 95</u>

EXPENDITURES

S. E. Carleton, librarian (13 months)	\$379 00	
H. M. Tyler, janitor	250 00	
New books	389 85	
Fuel, light and water	286 20	
Other expenses	367 59	
Check balance	6 56	
Deposited in Danvers Nat'l. Bank (Savings dept.)	88 75	
		<u>\$1,767 95</u>

Respectfully submitted,

HARLEY M. TYLER, Treasurer.

CHARLES L. FLINT FUND

H. M. Tyler in account with the Flint Public Library:

Charles L. Flint Fund, principal	\$5,000 00
Deposited in banks December 31, 1940	
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	890 94
Danvers Savings Bank	1,127 67
Broadway Savings Bank	1,866 96
Essex Savings Bank	1,000 00
Salem Savings Bank	518 18

MARY ESTY EMERSON FUND

Principal (\$2,500 00) invested as follows:

Cerena Apartment Building Bond (par value)	\$ 500 00
42nd St. and Lexington Ave. Office Building Bond (par value)	2,000 00
Deposited in Danvers National Bank (Savings dept.)	261 78

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Another year has passed and some may say, an uneventful one in Middleton, but it is entirely different with the outside world. There are so many unusual happenings in the world of today about which people like to read. You may read your newspapers or listen to your radio but you will find a wonderful fund of knowledge in your library. You will find a new Encyclopedia ("Americana": 1940 edition of thirty volumes) that is very useful to both adults and young people. The addition of two new magazines, "Aviation" and "Popular Mechanics" will be of special interest to men and boys. Many new books of fiction, biography, travel and other interesting subjects have been added during the year.

Book deposits were placed at the Howe-Manning School, as usual, for special reading.

Book Week was observed with exhibits of books, which were displayed in the balcony at the library.

Mrs. George W. Ewing of Peabody, formerly of Middleton, has kindly presented to the Flint Public Library, a small closet which formerly was kept in the Town Hall as a book shelf. It may be considered Middleton's first library. As the number of books increased, they were removed to the room now used as the selectmen's room and later the closet was sold to Mrs. Ewing's grandfather, Henry A. Wilkins.

ANNUAL STATISTICS

Volumes in library, January 1, 1941	11,723
“ added by purchase	265
“ “ “ gift	25
“ in library January 1, 1940	12,013
Total circulation of books, year ending January 1, 1940	9,057
Circulation of books, non-fiction	856
Largest monthly circulation (January)	742
Collected on books kept overtime or damaged	\$18 00

The librarian wishes to express appreciation to the trustees for their continued cooperation during the year 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. CARLETON, Librarian

ABSTRACT FROM THE WILL OF THE LATE CHARLES L. FLINT, OF BOSTON

Ninth: I give and bequeath to the Town of Middleton, in Essex County, the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars, to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Flint Public Library of said Town in erecting a suitably permanent building for the use of said library. I also give to the said Town of Middleton the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars to constitute a permanent fund for the support of the public library, the income only to be used for the purchase of books and periodicals, the Town to provide for the care and maintenance of the library.

THE CHARLES L. FLINT SCHOLARSHIP

“This scholarship, known as the Charles L. Flint Scholarship, was established in 1890 by a fund of five thousand dollars, the income of which may be used to defray the tuition and other expenses of worthy students in the Academic Department, Phillips Academy, preference to be given to students from the adjacent town of Middleton.”

At the time of the establishment of this scholarship, the tuition rates were lower, and the income was sufficient to assist more than one student each year. Now the tuition charge is \$350.00 per year, so this scholarship does not provide a full tuition scholarship but can cover the major part of the tuition charge.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen submits for your approval a report of its activities for the year ending December 31, 1940.

As most of you will remember, the past year has seen many changes in the ranks of Town Officers, an unusual number of varied, unfortunate circumstances and events having caused permanent or temporary vacancies. This factor, combined with the natural increase of routine duties, made the work of this Board more difficult and exacting than usual, and made greater demands upon the time and efforts of every member.

In the always important matter of relieving the unemployment situation, several worthy projects were carried on in cooperation with the Works Progress Administration. Early in the year a moth control project saw about 250 acres creosoted, cut and burned. Most of the summer months were occupied on sidewalk work, and the results of this project were highly gratifying; walks were constructed on Maple Street as far as the Page property, on both sides of North Main Street within the town lines, along Central Street, and in front of the library, with the required 330 tons of asphalt furnished in equal shares by the Federal government and the Town. Another large project was started in the cemetery, where $7\frac{1}{2}$ acres were cleared, 55 cords of wood cut for the Welfare Department 2,680 square feet of avenues built, and a total of 59 lots made ready to seed. Under State supervision, a drainage system was installed along sections of Route 114, this being a supplementary project. The average number employed during the year was thirty men. It is hoped that the general upturn in business will allow a reduction in the number requiring work during 1941.

Perambulation of the Town boundary posts was completed during the fall months, this duty being compulsory every five years. Selectmen from the seven towns adjoining ours walked the lines with this Board, to inspect and paint the corner markers. Unusually good weather permitted the completion of this work in six weeks, most of the trips being made over the week-ends. Only one post, located on the Danvers-Middleton line, was found out of place, having been removed in the course of some local construction. Arrangements are being made with the County Engineers to have this post re-located in its proper position.

The following figures give the record for the year 1940 concerning the disposal of the Mansfield Fund income:

Balance January 1, 1940	\$ 18 52	
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.	910 00	
	<hr/>	\$928 52

EXPENDITURES

Childrens' picnic	\$255 54
Band concerts	236 15
Thanksgiving baskets	112 75
Christmas baskets	113 75
Total expenditures	\$718 19
Balance December 31, 1940	210 33
	<hr/> \$928 52

This Board, after carefully considering the general conditions now existent, wishes to recommend action on two separate matters, both direct results of the growth of our community during the past twenty years. The first of these lies in the urgent necessity of providing adequate quarters for the Highway Department, the Electric Light Department, and the town offices. Not only in the interests of convenience and modernity, but from the far more important viewpoint of economy, some corrective measures should be taken at once. Another phase of Town administration standing in need of adjustment is that of salaries for certain of the Town Officers. Many of these officials are assuming three or four times the work and responsibility that their predecessors had, yet there has been no change in salary. Years ago, the honor of holding a Town office constituted no small part of the then sufficient return for the comparative amount of time and work required. The year 1941, however, finds the work and the honor badly out of proportion. We trust that the people of this Town will give both these matters their sincere and unbiased attention.

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the Town Officers and members of local departments for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. CURRIER,
ARCHIBALD L. JONES,
SEAVER L. MACDONALD,

Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The highway surveyor hereby submits his report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

MAINTENANCE OF CHAPTER 81—ROADS

Town appropriation	\$4,500.00
State aid	4,500.00
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	\$9,000.00

(See list of expenditures)

Under this fund all of our present oiled surfaces were treated and many of these streets will not have to be treated this coming year. Two very dangerous curves were improved on Forest and Essex streets. Much necessary drainage work was done on all streets.

Gregory and River streets should have gravel and a treatment of tar this coming year. Peabody street should be widened and tarred. The three newly accepted streets, namely Lakeview, Oak and Hilldale should have much work done on them.

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE OF ROADS

Town appropriation	\$860.00
County	“ 860.00
State	“ 860.00
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	\$2,580.00

This money was used to resurface and properly drain North Main street.

4,000 feet of stone surface was done on East street. This street should be in good shape for several years. 400 feet of side drain was added to the side drain on East street. Two new catch basins were built on Maple street.

HIGHWAY 500

Under this fund tools were purchased and many odd jobs were done. The shoulders on Maple street from the cemetery to Liberty street were put in shape and tarred. A dust layer was put on Gregory, Oak, Hilldale and Lakeview roads.

BRIDGES \$300.00

A metal arch was installed on Mill street, thus eliminating one of the old wooden bridges. Necessary repairs were made on all bridges. During the coming year it will be necessary to build two new bridges, one on North Liberty street and one on Mill street. The bridge on Log Bridge Road will have to be replanked and all others maintained.

SIDEWALKS \$100.00

FENCING \$100.00

These amounts were so small that only maintenance work was done.

SNOW

Much snow in February, together with early snow and ice in November has made our 1940 snow removal costs unusually high.

Your highway surveyor strongly urges the continuance of Chapter 90 construction during the next two years.

Our truck and tractor have been completely overhauled and with proper care, should last for five more years. The Conant loading machine has also been reconditioned.

At the present time the town owns five road snow plows and two sidewalk plows.

All truck hire has been kept at a minimum and evenly divided among the truck owners. With the highway surveyor on a salary, work has been arranged so that there has been men working each week.

Your highway department is sadly in need of new quarters. We have no place to house our truck and tractor as our yard is much too small, and we have much equipment being stored out of doors.

At this time I would like to extend my appreciation to all who have worked for the department the past year; to all other town departments who have cooperated with us; the Board of Selectmen, and to the Massachusetts Department of Public Works for their courtesy and aid to the Middleton highway department.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN OGDEN,

Highway Surveyor

MIDDLETON—CHAPTER 31—EXPENDITURES, 1940

ROAD	Drag.	Scrap.	Ledge Widen	Drain.	Brush	Patching Grav.	Bitum.	Surf. Treat. Oil	Signs	Gals.	Totals
Boston	\$20 00	\$188 05		\$ 62 81			\$ 10 00				\$280 86
Central	.	.					10 00			850 T-5	185 40
East	.	94 40		261 90	\$131 20	\$ 6 00	145 02	\$175 40	\$4 00		642 52
Essex	16 40	116 60	\$399 25	12 60	7 50	49 30	43 00	407 13		2166 T-5	1051 78
Forrest	.	50 00	393 95	117 67	79 25		60 04	726 24		3266 T-5	1427 15
Gregory	.	22 20					21 00	208 07		957 T-5	251 27
Haswell Park	.						14 00	\$152 88		700 Sa-4	166 88
Kenney	.	48 20									48 20
King	.	10 00			17 75		15 00	110 76		650 Sa-4	153 51
Lake	.	33 20		6 50			25 00	143 58		800 Sa-4	290 28
Liberty	.	113 85		33 20	84 00		82 60			4239 T-5	1139 71
Locust	.	80 70			5 00						85 70
Log Bridge	.	6 00									6 00
Lowell	.										
Maple	.	192 55		312 77	54 00	20 00	71 70		4 00		655 02
Mill	.	27 20		94 00							121 28
Mt. Vernon	.	10 00		1 25			11 85	106 42		640 Sa-4	133 52
North Main	.			25 00			7 50				32 50
Peabody	.	48 20			5 00		49 00			1682 T-5	427 71
Pleasant	.			6 50				135 55		725 Sa-4	142 05
River	.	91 00		77 70	5 00	81 40	41 00	404 48		2002 T-5	700 58
School	.	15 00		5 00	26 00		80 60	373 57		2156 T-5	500 17
Washington	.					50 00	51 90				101 90
Thomas	.	8 00				42 50					50 50
Copper Mine	.	9 50						158 61		1027 Sa 4	9 50
Park	.	30 00				52 00					188 61
Webb	.	45 00					5 00				97 00
Hilldale	.					40 20					28 00
Oak	.	23 00				22 20					60 20
Lakeview	.	20 00									22 20
	79 40	\$1239 65	\$793 20	\$1016 98	\$414 70	\$492 80	\$744 21	\$807 80	\$3399 26	\$12 00	\$9000 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MARRIAGE RECORD FOR 1940

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Feb. 4	Boston	Cesare Rosi	Middleton
		Edith Helen Ciardi	Medford
Feb. 10	Andover	Benjamin Charles Brown	Essex San.
		Etta Maganis	" "
April 25	Essex	Harland Charles Wood	Middleton
		Norma Gladys Roberts	Essex
April 30	Gloucester	Paul Edward Greene	Middleton
		Anne Merritt	"
May 7	Peabody	William Joseph Croke	Peabody
		Helen Dorothy Orbin	Middleton
May 16	Danvers	Whitney Vir Griffith Coffin	"
		Hellena Catherine Swindell	Danvers
June 11	Salem	Clinton Edward Pollock	Middleton
		Elizabeth Brown Barber	Salem
June 14	Danvers	Harold George Luscomb	Danvers
		Mildred Catherine Leonard	Mid. Colony
June 16	Danvers	James F. Dow	Middleton
		Elleanor Mary Sirosis	Danvers
June 17	Danvers	Arnold Leo Leary	Middleton
		Mary E. Best	Salem
June 21	Peabody	Burleigh W. Craig	Peabody
		Virginia K. Moreland	Middleton
July 3	Topsfield	Porter E. Gould	Middleton
		Marie A. Gilbert	Danvers
July 20	Lynn	Lester Clifford Keddy	Middleton
		Genieva Addele Hurd	Lynn
July 20	Peabody	Roland Edgar Clark	Peabody
		Dorothy Emerson Rage	Middleton
Aug. 3	Malden	Raymond Richard Maxwell	Middleton
		Rhoda Alma MacMillan	Middleton
Aug. 8	West Roxbury	Joseph Stafford Le Colst	Middleton
		Elizabeth Cecilia MacDonald	W. Roxbury
Aug. 25	Beverly	Raymond M. Denno	Beverly
		Goldie Pearl Ogden	Middleton
Aug. 31	Middleton	Joseph A. McKenne	Middleton
		Minnie L. Thompson	Roxbury
Aug. 31	Danvers	Allan Gibb Marshall, Jr.	Middleton
		Leda Mary Louise Gurrette	Middleton

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Sept. 1	Middleton	John Henry Ross	Middleton
		Amy Elizabeth Morgan	Middleton
Sept. 1	Topsfield	Maurice L. Tyler	Middleton
		Beulah Inmann	Providence R. I.
Sept. 7	Danvers	Elliott Sidney Galeucia	Middleton
		Martha Warren Barrowclough	Middleton
Oct. 6	Danvers	Herbert N. Cole	Beverly
		Ruth A. Randall	Middleton
Oct. 19	Danvers	Chester Eugene Clinch	Middleton
		Alice Dorothy Coffin	Middleton
Nov. 30	Danvers	James Lawrence Tedford	Middleton
		Shirley Carolyn Curtis	Middleton
Dec. 6	Alfred, Me.	Ernest C. Townsend, Jr.	Middleton
		Barbara L. Clark	Lynn
Dec. 31	Portland, Me.	Elmer R. S. Davis	Lynn
		Hazel Ruth Philbrick	Middleton

BIRTH RECORD FOR 1940

Any error or omission should be reported at once to the Town Clerk.

<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>
Jan. 6	Sheldon	Gordon Elmer Sheldon Helen Joan Bradley
Jan. 10	Sanborn	Richard H. Sanborn Edith E. Hanson
Feb. 13	Robert Ernest Stevens	Orrin T. B. J. Stevens
(twins)	David Charles Stevens	Catherine Campion
April 1	Robert George Marvel	Robert George Marvel Florence A. Evitts
April 7	Elaine O'Donnell	Cornelius O'Donnell Gertrude French
May 16	Virginia Mae Stanchfield	Ernest Stanchfield Vera V. DeFelice
May 22	Eddington	Walter F. Eddington Annie C. Marson
May 19	Barbara Ann Wilkins	Albert Wallace Wilkins Antonette Mary Blazewicz
June 19	Robert Frederick Jewell	Robert M. Jewell Dorothy M. Glass
July 8	Herman Howard Knowlton, Jr.	Herman H. Knowlton

<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>
July 15	Baby Boy Osborne	Dorothy G. Boyden Seymour Osborne June Currier
Aug. 1	Dorothy Ernestine Bradbury	Montello Bradbury Mary E. Wilkis
Aug. 9	Sandra Louise Lord	Ellsworth A. Lord Blanche I. Margeson
Aug. 11	Joseph Richard Votano	Francis Anthony Votano Mary Claire Stanegyp
Aug. 13	Marie Cecile S. Bouchard	Henry Bouchard Clandina Gelinas
Aug. 16	Otis Thomas Droney	Alfred Adams Droney Mary Verna Sprague
Aug. 21	Bernard Sterling Sullivan	Francis P. Sullivan Icola Vance
Oct. 5	Mary Lou Perzold	Warren J. Perzold Mary L. Snow
Oct. 23	Francis Albert Gorczyca	Francis L. Gorczyca Alice Robitaillo
Oct. 28	Carl Peter Coffin	James Milner Coffin Eileen G. McMullin
Nov. 28	David Allen Wendell	Karl V. Wendell Bessie I. Thorny
Nov. 29	Philip Kean Richardson	Benjamin Richardson Anne Kiely
Dec. 10	Ronald Edward Pollock	Milton Ross Pollock Josie Della Sheldon
Dec. 15	Margo Pedrick	Richard Gifford Pedrick Margaret Jane Matticke

RECORD OF DEATHS, 1940

Any errors or omissions noted should be promptly reported to the Town Clerk.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Months</i>	<i>Days</i>
Feb. 2	Burton McGlauffin	66	2	21
Feb. 14	John H. Sullivan	78		
Feb. 24	Alice Louise Phaneuf	57	8	5
Feb. 28	Harriet E. Tedford	89	4	22
Mar. 22	George M. Russell	65		

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Date	Name of Deceased	Years	Months	Days
April 2	Jennie Knight Osborne	69	7	26
May 12	Willy C. Doebelin	69		
May 23	Grover Henry Webber	67	3	19
May 31	Frank E. Wiley	66	3	30
June 20	Daniel Coughlin	78		
June 26	Frances M. Tremblay	3	1	18
June 29	Charles Gordon Curtis	39	8	
July 27	Frank E. Welch	43		
Aug. 15	Paul R. Christopher	33	11	14
Aug. 11	Carrie Bartlett Wilkins	83		
Sept. 17	Georgianna Guilmette	65		
Oct. 12	Gertrude E. Russell	71		
Oct. 20	Harriet L. Smith	85		
Nov. 22	Clara A. Lovett	78		
Nov. 23	Minnie A. Pickard	58		
Dec. 8	William H. Margeson	69	11	23
Dec. 17	John Rubchinook	49		
Dec. 28	J. Allen Atwood	72		
Dec. 31	Elizabeth M. Brockner	66	10	

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION
DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

State House, Boston

June 13, 1940.

To the Board of Selectmen:
Mr. Fred L. Currier, Chairman
Middleton, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Middleton for the period from October 14, 1937, to April 13, 1940, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Wardell,
Director of Accounts,
Department of Corporations and Taxation,
State House, Boston.

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the accounts of the Town of Middleton for the period from October 14, 1937, the date of the previous audit, to April 13, 1940, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing town funds or committing bills for collection, were examined and reconciled with the books and records of the town accountant.

The books and accounts of the two tax collectors who have held office since the date of the previous audit were examined and checked in detail.

The accounts of Sidney R. Rollins, as collector of taxes, were examined for the period from October 14, 1937, the date of the previous audit to April 1, 1938, when the accounts were taken over by his successor. The outstanding tax accounts as shown by the previous examination were audited. The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, the abatements as entered were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts at the time the collector relinquished the duties of his office were found to be in agreement with the town accountant's controlling accounts.

The books and accounts of Granville S. Demeritt, as collector of taxes were examined and checked from the date he was qualified to April 25, 1940.

The tax collector resigned from his office, this action becoming effective April 25, 1940. A temporary collector was appointed by the Board of Selectmen on June 3, 1940, and a list of outstanding taxes and assessments was furnished to the board of assessors to be recommended to the temporary collector.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were checked with the treasurer's books and departmental records, while the recorded payments were compared with the treasury warrants and the treasurer's books.

The appropriations and transfers, as recorded in the ledger, were checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings and with the finance committee records of transfers authorized from the reserve fund.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, a trial balance was drawn off proving the accounts to be in balance, the necessary correcting entries resulting from the audit was made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of April 13, 1940.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The cash balance on April 13, 1940, was verified by a reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The payments on account of debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer, the library trustees, and the Naumkeag Trust Company, were examined and listed. The income was proved and the expenditures were verified.

The records of tax titles taken by the town since the previous audit were checked with the deeds on file. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the recorded redemptions were checked with the receipts as shown on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed, proved, and checked with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The town clerk's record of sporting and dog licenses for the current year were examined, the payments to the State being verified by a comparison with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer being compared with the treasurer's cash book.

The records of the electric light department were examined and checked. The commitments were verified, the collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger.

The accounts of the public welfare department, including the bureau of old age assistance, as well as all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the accountant's books.

The surety bonds of the financial officials bonded for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the balance sheet referred to, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the tax collector's cash, together with summaries of the tax, assessment, departmental, and tax title accounts, as well as tables showing the trust fund transactions.

For the cooperation extended by the various town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Citizens of Middleton:

The work of this Department for the year 1940 has been more in consolidating the gains made in the past ten years rather than in further extension of our distribution lines.

In 1930 service was available on 16½ miles of streets, and at the present there are 30 miles, or practically our entire area covered. This has been done entirely from the earnings of the Department without asking for appropriations from the tax levy.

While we are endeavoring to keep our maintenance as low as possible consistent with giving good service, the fact that we have only 18 customers per mile of line and an average of 4 services from each transformer, as compared with 14 services from each transformer in a neighboring more thickly settled town necessarily makes our maintenance and distribution cost much higher than in more congested areas. This higher cost must be covered in our rates.

Even with this handicap the cost to our customers has been reduced approximately 37%.

In 1930 50 KWH cost \$4.50 Today 50 KWH cost \$2.40 46½% red.

In 1930 100 KWH cost \$7.50 Today 100 KWH cost \$5.30 29% red.

On all new installations, and at summer camps, and at houses where it is difficult to secure regular monthly readings, we are using outside meters.

Our contract with our source of supply reduces the cost of our current 7%, and our new rate effective February 1, reduces the cost to users approximately 10%. We are also reducing the cost of street lights \$360.00

Further reductions will be directly in proportion to an increased consumption, as delivering more current over our existing lines means no increase in maintenance cost. At our new rate of .03¢ per KWH over 70 KWH cooking with electricity is cheaper than with gas.

This report would be incomplete without a tribute to the memory of Harold W. Porter, a lineman for the Department who by his sterling character, ability, unfailing good nature and interest in his duties endeared him to his associates in the Department and to all who knew him.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD B. FLOYD, Chairman

CHARLES G. BATES, Clerk

Electric Light Commissioners.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

To the Citizens of Middleton:

The following is a brief report of the Board of Public Welfare for the year ending December 31, 1940.

50 cases received general relief, representing 180 persons and were divided as follows:

Unsettled (State cases)	17	number of persons	64
Other Cities and Towns	15	" " "	55
Town	17	" " "	58
Aid to dependent children	1	" " "	3

During the year 1940, 10 cases with Middleton settlements were aided by other cities and towns.

Due to the decrease in the number of general relief cases handled we were able to keep within our appropriation.

Your board made the statement in our 1939 report that the new State set-up would increase the work to local boards more than three fold, and after one year of this new set-up, it has been proven to be more than true.

FEDERAL SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Your board distributed food valued at \$6,249.45 and clothing having a value of \$4,211.00, making a total of \$10,460.45. Most of the food comes in bulk and has to be put up before distribution.

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Largest number of cases carried during any one month in 1940	68
Case load as of March 1, 1941	61
Town	43
Unsettled	12
Other cities and towns	13

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD B. FLOYD, Chairman.

JESSIE M. COLBERT.

AUSTIN C. PEABODY, Jr., Agent.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of the fire department for the year 1940.

RECORD OF FIRES

Siren alarms	-	-	53
Still alarms	-	-	4
Total number of alarms	-	-	57
Buildings	-	-	19
Chimney fires	-	-	8
Automobile fires	-	-	4
Grass and brush fires	-	-	22
False calls	-	-	3
Other than fires	-	-	1

Some years ago there were a few water holes built in this township by the W. P. A. but owing to various reasons most of these are not available for use now. If in the future the town is going to build new ones as the county commissioners wish, I believe it should be done under the supervision of the Board of Fire Engineers, who should understand the requirements, etc. of the town and that proper care should be taken of them from year to year.

The towns people should be thinking of a new forest fire truck in the near future as the one now in use is very old and obsolete.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all friends for their cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. YOUNG, Chief.

FIRE ENGINEERS' REPORT

Middleton, Mass.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Board of Fire Engineers submit to you their report of the fire department for the year 1940.

During the year the department responded to thirty-nine alarms:

Dwellings	7	Chimneys	3
Camps	4	False alarms	2
Barns	3	Brush and forest	20

The total loss on assessed property amounted to approximately \$11,750.00.

CATTLE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

For the safety of all concerned and with the cooperation of your honorable board, the engineers had four new tires installed on the large truck, owing to the age of the old tires this was indispensable.

It is necessary this year that we replace some of our large 2 1-2 inch double jacket hose, also a small amount of forest hose, and we are anticipating putting booster brakes on the large truck.

In conclusion we wish to express our appreciation to your board, chief Young, assistant chief Ogden, all firemen, and the citizens of this town for their earnest cooperation and assistance with the board of engineers.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. SANBORN, Chairman
WALTER L. PAINE, Clerk
RICHARD B. FLOYD
MORRILL W. YOUNG
Board of Engineers.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen;

As inspector of slaughtering during the past year I submit the following report.

Number of swine examined	421
“ “ cattle “	14
“ “ calves “	16

Respectfully submitted,

H. BRAY WILKINS, Inspector of Slaughtering.

CATTLE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals in the Town of Middleton during the past year I submit the following report.

Number of premises inspected	43
“ “ cattle inspected, bovine animals	671
“ “ swine “	757
“ “ goats “	22

This work has been done in accordance with the regulations of the Massachusetts Division of Livestock Disease Control.

Respectfully submitted,

H. BRAY WILKINS, Inspector of Animals.

POLICE REPORT

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POLICE REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Chief of Police does submit herewith his annual report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Total number of arrests	26
Residents arrested	6
Non-residents arrested	20

ARRESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING CRIMES:

Driving to endanger	6
Driving under the influence of liquor	3
Driving without a license	2
Drunkenness	11
Escaping from Danvers State Hospital	3
Violation of probation	3

DISPOSITION OF CASES:

Cruelty to animals	fined—1
Driving to endanger	fined—4
Driving under the influence of liquor	fined—3
Driving without a license	fined—1
Drunkenness	released—5
Drunkenness	probated—4

MISCELLANEOUS WORK:

Automobile accidents	22
Buildings found broken into	15
Complaints received and investigated	411
Dogs reported hit by automobiles	11
Deaths investigated with medical examiner	2
Larceny from camps	cases—12
Personal property recovered	9
(Turned over to owners from 9 complaints.)	
Persons wilfully destroying property	5
Property repaired by parents	5
Animals caught and owners notified	22
Officers with State police	hours—10
Hours in court	114
Warrants, capias and summons served	16
Property and buildings inspected	150

Reports for insurance companies	16
Traffic duty (approximately)	hours—640
Automobile licenses registrations	revoked—22
Automobiles transferred	446

In conclusion, I wish to thank your honorable board, the police officers under me and thank the citizens of Middleton for cooperation with me in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. MILBERY,

Chief of Police.

FOREST WARDEN'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The forest warden submits a brief report of his department for the year ending December 31, 1940.

As forest fires seem a needless expense it has been the aim of your forest warden to keep his costs at a minimum.

Permits from the forest warden are necessary for all outdoor fires, this law is to be strictly enforced by the State Department of Conservation during the coming year.

Since July we have been fortunate in having only one bad forest fire. Due to the extreme dryness constant patrolling way necessary.

I would recommend the brushing out of old wood road sand cleaning our present waterholes during the coming year.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to the Massachusetts Department of Conservation, State Deputy Warden Frost, the Board of Fire Engineers, Chief Young, and all firemen for their splendid cooperation at all times during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN OGDEN,

Forest Warden.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

REAL ESTATE . . .	Year of Tax	Amount of Commitment	Amount Collected	Abate- ments	Refunds	Tax Titles Accounts	Balance Dec. 31, '40	Int. & Fees Collected
ADD: TAX TITLE ADJUST.	1937	16 39	—	—	—	—	16 39	—
	1938	1,013 36	223 34	67 55	—	612 78	109 69	16 54
	1939	11,214 66	—	—	—	—	—	—
		<u>52 46</u>						
	1940	11,267 12	9,616 25	130 92	—	1,109 28	410 67	331 00
		61,619 65	40,681 12	651 46	—	2,616 73	17,670 34	22 29
EXCISE	1938	61 49	23 40	—	—	—	38 09	3 94
	1939	198 10	64 16	—	2 58	—	133 94	6 21
	1940	3,825 81	3,467 68	49 42	146 28	—	308 71	7 94
POLL	1938	24 00	8 00	—	—	—	16 00	1 92
	1939	106 00	24 00	—	—	—	82 00	5 31
	1940	1,116 00	886 00	16 00	—	—	214 00	32 29
PERSONAL PROPERTY	1937	60 20	60 20	—	—	—	—	7 26
	1938	186 58	121 31	—	—	—	65 27	9 44
	1939	376 14	248 71	—	163 40	—	129 15	11 00
					1 72*	—		
	1940	2,505 22	1,987 39	—	—	—	517 83	16

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER, Tax Collector.

* Refund for overpayment.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The following is a recapulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1940 Tax Rate:

APPROPRIATIONS:

Town appropriation	\$99,779 37
Overlay deficit—1936	104 06
“ “ 1938	224 82
State tax—1940	5,440 00
State parks and reservations	82 89
Hospital and home care for Civil War Veterans 1939 underestimate	22 50
County tax	3,227 80
Tuberculosis hospital	934 44
1940 overlay	2,301 13
Total appropriation	\$112,117 01

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:

Income tax	\$5,708 66
Corporation taxes	3,852 80
Reimbursement on account State owned land	668 16
Gasoline tax (Acts 1939 Chap. 232 & 504	4,388 25
Motor vehicle excise	3,500 00
Licenses	1,400 00
Fines	200 00
General government	400 00
Protection of persons and property	25 00
Health and sanitation	500 00
Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children)	6,750 00
Old age assistance (other than federal grants)	6,500 00
Soldiers' benefits	150 00
Schools	6,000 00
Cemeteries (other than sale of lots)	400 00
Interest on taxes and assessments	800 00
Veterans' exemptions	32 43
Town of Danvers—reimbursement	625 00
All other	75 00
Overestimate—State parks and reservations	11 72
Total estimated receipts	\$41,987 02

DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

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AVAILABLE FUNDS:

Brought forward	\$41,987 02
Transfer voted by Town July 17, 1940	5,150 00
Total estimated receipts and available funds	\$47,137 02
Net amount raised by taxation on personal property	\$2,502 22
Net amount raised by taxation on real estate	61,392 77
Number of polls assessed, 541 at \$2.00 each	1,082 00
	\$64,979 99
	\$112,117 01

TOTAL VALUATION:

Personal property	\$ 78,288 00
Real estate	1,918,524 00
1940 tax rate	\$32 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. CURRIER,
WILLIAM T. MARTIN, SR.
LYMAN S. WILKINS,
WILLIAM T. MARTIN, JR.

Board of Assessors.

DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

Middleton, Mass., Decembsr 14, 1940

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

There has been this year the following 84 complaints:

People bitten by dogs	10
Fowl killed by dogs	141
Dogs picked up and returned to owners	12
Miles answering complaints	117
Hours working on complaints	40
Tramp dogs disposed of	20
Dogs hit by automobiles	7
Dogs killed for disease	2
Cats hit by automobile and disposed of	5
Dogs disposed of for non-license	9
Pups under three to six months picked up and disposed of	11
Turned over to town clerk for unlicensed dogs	\$177.00

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. MILBERY,
Dog Officer, Town of Middleton.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed
Platform under 5,000 pounds	6	19	3
Counter over 100 "	1	3	1
Counter under 100 "	4	18	0
Spring over 100 "	1	1	0
Spring under 100 "	2	6	0
Personal Weighing "	0	2	0

WEIGHTS:

Avoirdupois	11	134	5
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MEASURES:

Liquid	0	7	0
Gasoline Pumps	2	21	0
Kerosene Pumps	1	1	0
Grease Pumps	0	3	0

Sealing Fees Collected \$21.03

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. YOUNG,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

TOWN HALL REPORT

Year Ending October 31, 1940

Received from entertainments	\$19 50
" " I. O. R. M.	77 60
" " P. of H.	41 75
" " J. P. of H.	15 50
" " St. Agnes church	90 00
" " dancing class	27 50
" " music class	42 00
" " Pohpokset Council No. 73, D. P.	
I. O. R. M.	16 20
" " improvement society	7 90

\$337 95

Respectfully yours,

HENRY A. YOUNG,

Custodian.

Recommendations of Finance Committee for the Year 1941

I—GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

SALARIES:	<i>Called for</i>	<i>Recommended</i>
Moderator	\$ 25 00	\$ 25 00
Selectmen (three)	525 00	400 00
Accountant	500 00	400 00
Treasurer	500 0a	400 00
Collector	400 00	400 00
Assessors (three)	800 00	700 00
Town Counsel	300 00	300 00
Registrars of Voters	70 00	70 00
Town Clerk	200 00	200 00
Electric Light Commissioners (three)	150 00	150 00
Town Hall Maintenance	750 00	600 00
Town Hall Custodian	500 00	500 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500 00	1,200 00

II—PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police	\$1,200 00	\$1,000 00
Constable's Salary	35 00	35 00
Fire Maintenance and Salaries	2500 00	2,000 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	100 00	100 00

III—FORESTRY:

Moth	\$1,500 00	\$873 45
Tree Warden	1,500 00	300 00

IV—HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Essex County Sanatorium	\$ 941 48	\$ 941 48
Board of Health	1,200 00	1,200 00
Dental Clinic	400 00	400 00
Inspector of Slaughtering, Salary	50 00	50 00
Inspector of Cattle, Salary	175 00	175 00

V.—HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Highway	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	4,500 00	4,500 00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500 00	1,000 00
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000 00	2,000 00
Snow Removal		
Street Lights	3,000 00	3,000 00

	<i>Called for</i>	<i>Recommended</i>
VI.—CHARITIES:		
Public Welfare, Salaries	\$ 250 00	\$ 250 00
Public Welfare, Maintenance	8,500 00	8,500 00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,600 00	1,600 00
Old age Assistance	11,800 00	11,800 00
Old Age Assistance, Administration	500 00	500 00
Surplus Commodities Distribution	550 00	550 00
VII.—SOLDIERS' BENEFITS:		
State Aid	\$ 100 00	\$ 100 00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000 00	1,000 00
VIII.—EDUCATION:		
School Maintenance	\$30,666 00	\$30,666 00
Vocational Education	775 00	775 00
Library	1,321 00	600 00**
IX.—CEMETRIES:		
Superintendent of Burials	\$ 15 00	\$ 15 00
Commissioners' Salaries (three)	30 00	30 00
Maintenance	1,400 00	850 00
Graves	400 00	350 00
Equipment	250 00	
X.—PARK		
Maintenance	\$ 250 00	\$ 250 00
XI.—INTEREST AND INSURANCE:		
Interest	\$ 900 00	\$ 900 00
Insurance	1,200 00	1,200 00
XII.—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:		
School Construction	\$3,000 00	\$3,000 00
XIII.—UNCLASSIFIED:		
Contingent Fund	\$ 800 00	\$ 800 00
Reserve Fund	600 00	600 00
Memorial Day	250 00	250 00
W. P. A. Projects	1,500 00	1,500 00
American Legion		150 00

**Plus dog taxes

Recommendations covering Articles in the Town Warrant for 1941.

Article	1	Recommend favorable action		
"	2	"	"	"
"	3	"	"	"
"	4	"	"	"
"	5	"	"	"
"	6	"	"	"
"	7	"	"	"
"	8	"	"	"
"	9	"	"	"
"	10	"	"	"
"	11	"	"	"
"	12	"	"	"
"	13	"	"	"
"	14	No action.		
"	15	Recommend favorable action.		
"	16	"	"	"
"	17	"	"	"
"	18	"	"	"
"	19	No action.		
"	20	Recommend favorable action, if all five serve without pay.		
"	21	Recommend that it be left in hands of Highway Surveyor.		
"	22	Recommend favorable action.		
"	23	"	"	"

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEN M. RICHARDSON, Chairman,
 WILLIAM W. RICHARDSON,
 OSCAR H. BELLE,
 FREDERICK E. BURNHAM, Clerk.

Finance Committee.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

School Committee

Superintendent of Schools

AND

Yearly Statistics

OF THE

Grammar School

OF THE

Town of Middleton

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1940



SCHOOL REPORT

School Committee

DR. RAYMOND SILVERNAIL, Chairman Term Expires 1942
MRS. ALICE K. CASS, Secretary Term Expires 1941
MR. SEAVER McDONALD Term Expires 1943

Supt. of Schools, STEPHEN G. BEAN, Wilmington, Mass.
School Physician, DR. ANDREW NICHOLS, Danvers, Mass.
School Nurse, MRS. PATRICIA KINGSLEY, R. N.
Attendance Officer, MR. CHARLES PASQUALE

TEACHING CORPS

MISS C. ALICE MANNING, Principal	Grade VIII.
MISS MARGARET M. BERRY	Grade VII.
MISS MARY WILKISH	Grade VI.
MISS FANNIE C. HINKLEY	Grade V.
MISS ANNABELLE SYLVESTER	Grades IV. & V.
MISS ELINOR LANE	Grades III. & IV.
MISS ALICE FLYNN	Grades II. & III.
MISS MADELYN LAWRENCE	Grade II.
MISS CATHERINE DEVANE	Grade I.
MR. CHARLES I. GOULD, JR., Building Assistant	
MR. HORACE KILLAM, Supervisor of Music	
MISS MARY SHEA, Supervisor of Art	

MR. ERNEST TOWNSEND, JR., Janitor

School Calendar for 1941

WINTER TERM

January 2 to February 21

Vacation One Week

WINTER-SPRING TERM

March 3 to April 25

Vacation One Week

SPRING TERM

May 5 to June 20

Vacation ten Weeks

FALL TERM

September 8 to December 23

HOLIDAYS

February 22, April 19, May 30, October 12, November 11,
Thanksgiving

No School Signal

Two Rounds on Fire Whistle at 7.45 o'clock A. M.

Two Rounds on Whistle at the Blacking Company Factory
at 7.45 o'clock A. M.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee

Middleton, Massachusetts.

Madam and Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my seventeenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Middleton, which is prepared for your consideration and for the purpose of information to interested citizens of the town.

The main consideration of these reports is the condition and progress of the schools and the pupils served by them. Such a report must deal with the school plant, enrollment, the administrative and teaching personnel, and the progress and attainments of the pupils. There are other very vital considerations which may very properly become part of the report. These have to do with certain statistical information concerning the financial cost of education in the town with regard to its economy and in comparison with costs in other towns nearby and those more remote but with similar conditions.

THE PLANT

The school building is practically new and should, of course, be in excellent condition. Schools are, like any other structures, subject to certain slight defects in construction which do not appear until after a period of use. These appear here at various times, but are, in general, of minor proportions. We have had slight leaks in walls and through the roof resulting from structural flaws. Some small mechanical difficulties in the heating and ventilating system have had to receive repairs. None of these are more than usually appear in any modern building.

The teachers, janitor and children cooperate to give the building the care which is needed to maintain good living conditions for healthful and cheerful school environment. Such care is the justifiable expectation of the taxpayers whose money has gone into its construction.

THE ENROLLMENT

The number of children in attendance in the school is somewhat larger than last year and therefore the largest in the history of the town. On October first there was an actual membership of 294 pupils but there have been as many as 299 on some dates. Membership is variable from week to week so that we never know just what to expect. A family may move from town one day with two school children and within a week another family with five may

appear, so that figures for one period are no indication of what may be true at another except that the trend is towards an increase rather than a decrease.

The grouping of children in various grades is as variable as the membership and is the cause of numerous administrative problems. This is also unpredictable and varies from month to month and from year to year. Such variations have an important bearing on the total cost of textbooks each year and also upon the number of the teaching corps.

Attention is directed to the two enrollment tables to be found later in this report. They will bear some intelligent consideration when considered in relation to school costs.

THE TEACHING CORPS

This element of the school setup is not greatly different from that of several years past. One change was made during the year when Miss Anne Merritt resigned to be replaced by Miss Alice Flynn. Miss Flynn was known to us from her service as a substitute prior to the creation of the vacancy. She is serving as teacher of parts of the second and third grades. This is one of those classes caused by the peculiar grouping of children in their grade placement.

Mrs. Shirley Gulliver resigned as supervisor of Art at the close of the last school year and is succeeded by Miss Mary Shea of Salem, a teacher of experience who is also serving in the same capacity for the town of Nahant.

Early in the fiscal year Mrs. Genie Kimball who had served as Music Supervisor for many years was forced to resign because of poor health. Mr. Horace Killam of Andover, a music teacher of experience who was already serving as supervisor of music in Georgetown with eminent success, was secured to fill this vacancy.

Mr. Killam, has already been with us a full year and has demonstrated excellent ability to inspire both children and teachers. A definite growth in knowledge and appreciation of music should result from such leadership.

Mrs. Patricia Kingsley, our school nurse, has been on leave of absence during the latter part of the fiscal year. Her work has been carried on very efficiently by Mrs. Leonard Willey of Salem.

The immediate administrative responsibility for the school has been in the hands of Miss C. Alice Manning who has carried on this work so well for years past. I recommend to your careful consideration her report on the activities of the school during the year from her viewpoint. Hers is no birdseye view, but is based on daily intimate contact with the school problems.

GENERAL PROGRESS

As is usual in this school the general progress of the children is excellent. Not every child gets the report card that his fond parents expect, but each gets what he earns, and those who have the will to do so make as good or better progress than he might in many schools. This is evident from the records compiled by our children when they enter other schools in other communities and are in competition with the products of those systems. It is also evidenced by the work done by those who come to us from other towns.

Our ability to secure good work from the majority of the children has grown increasingly difficult during the past few years. The reason for this is probably very complex, but there are at least two factors which seem evident. One of these is the effect on the psychology of our children of the generally unsettled condition of our nation and of all of the world. This may seem fantastic to many parents and especially to adults who have no children, but I believe mature consideration will find agreement among many who really think. The second is a lack of self control and respect for authority which is shown by many children. This does not refer to the school authority alone, it applies equally to any form involving restraint of individual desires, especially parental authority. Numerous parents tell teachers that they are wholly unable to control their own children in the home. They frankly confess that their child or children have them baffled, and they do not know what to do. If however a teacher tries to enforce obedience and respect by any of the successful methods of former years some parents object loudly and try to make matters "hot" for that teacher. This is one of the most powerful elements in this dilemma; lack of support by those who should have made the dilemma impossible by teaching respect for authority in the home. No father or mother should ever be too busy to see every case of conflict of authority through to a decision best for the future of the child. Physical brutality however has no place in the process. It must be remembered that self control cannot be expected from a child when it is not exemplified by the parent or teacher.

	No. of Average Membership			Total
	Teachers	Elementary	High	
October 1, 1936	7	254	69	323
October 1, 1937	10	261	75	336
October 1, 1938	10	268	80	352
October 1, 1939	10	291	76	367
October 1, 1940	10	294	70	364

The above tabulation covers the last five school years and shows the membership in school of all of our local children. It will be noted that there has been a steady increase in the elementary schools which averages about eight pupils a year. This would indicate that at the present rate we will have to provide another room and hire another teacher once every five years.

Whether this tendency to increase steadily will continue is beyond certain prognostication. In these towns like Middleton it is anybody's guess as to the movement of population. It is true however, that taken the country over, there is a very definite tendency to move from the urban centers into the nearby small towns. This is traceable to the growth in numbers of inexpensive automobiles, both new and used. Nowadays Middleton is as convenient to Boston as was Malden or Everett fifteen years ago.

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Population 1930 census	1712	\$2,012,513	367	\$5,484	\$10.89	\$82.19	\$59.71	\$136.64	Net cost to town of High School education	\$80.64
	986	2,941,790	197	14,933	8.34	149.53	124.56	164.25	State reimbursement per pupil in High School	164.25
	1594	1,145,210	386	10,739	8.86	114.79	95.19	170.72		127.22
	1945	2,561,847	568	4,510	12.79	85.32	58.49	159.85	Per pupil cost of High School education	159.85
	1119	3,909,335	193	20,256	6.25	142.97	126.52	142.81		117.10
	1722	2,312,364	520	4,447	9.91	88.26	44.05	123.31		123.31
	1738	2,731,800	457	5,978	11.39	89.98	68.06	144.95		144.95
	1519	2,136,345	362	5,902	12.93	103.65	76.32	161.93		161.93
	State Averages			9,326	9.95	104.59	92.77	106.96		

This tabulation is offered to show the cost of schools in Middletown in comparison with similar costs in other towns which have various characteristics in common with it. These common factors may be population, school membership, valuation per pupil, per pupil cost and so on. It would take too much expensive space to call attention to all of the significant figures. I therefore recommend them to your thoughtful study. Several nearby towns were included for purposes of comparison.

Attention is directed particularly to the local figures as compared to the state averages given. These figures are compiled by the State Department of Education and are therefore authentic.

In concluding this report I desire to take this opportunity to express my very great and sincere appreciation of the courtesy and cooperation which I have received from the School Committee and all teachers and supervisors in the school—not forgetting the janitor.

STEPHEN G. BEAN,
Superintendent.

February 20, 1941.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS—Table No. 1
Age—Grade Distribution—Registration October 1, 1940

Grades	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	T
I. -	10	20	4												34
II. -		11	27	7	1										46
III. -			8	22	7	4	1	1							43
IV. -				6	17	5	4	2	4						38
V. -					11	20	7	5	1			1			45
VI. -					1	4	16	7	5	1					34
VII. -							5	13	5	4					27
VIII.								2	9	10	4	2			27
Total	10	31	39	35	37	33	33	30	24	15	4	3			294
IX. -															26
X. -															16
XI. -															13
XII. -															15
G. Total															364

Heavily leaded diagonal indicate age limits for the grades

Table No. 2
Teacher—Grade Distribution
October 1, 1940

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Tot.
Miss Devane - -	34								34
Miss Lawrence -		35							35
Miss Flynn - - -		11	23						34
Miss Lane - - - -			20	15					35
Miss Sylvester - -				23	10				33
Miss Hinkley - -					35				35
Miss Wilkish - -						34			34
Miss Berry - - -							27		27
Miss Manning - -								27	27
Total - - - - -	34	46	43	38	45	34	27	27	294

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

During 1940 the Middleton School Committee has earnestly endeavored to carry on its department as efficiently as possible. This year has proven to be a successful one in the operation of our school system financially. The teaching staff has had few changes in its personnel. Miss Anne Merritt resigned her position in May for private teaching. Miss Alice Flynn of Beverly, graduate of both Salem Teacher's College and Boston University, was elected to fill this vacancy in Grades Two and Three. Mrs. Shirley Gulliver, art supervisor, resigned her position in June and Miss Mary Shea, art supervisor of Nahant, took over her duties as drawing supervisor. Mr. Ernest Townsend, Jr., assumed the duties of Mr. George Webber as janitor of the Howe-Manning School, due to the untimely death of Mr. Webber, whose passing we are sorry to record. Mrs. Patricia Kingsley, our school nurse, was granted a leave of absence, while Mrs. Leonard Willey of Salem has been ably substituting in her place.

Due to the impaired hearing of one of our pupils, twenty-four lessons in lip reading was financed by the School Department.

The school roof has caused the committee a great deal of concern. Many leaks, due to faulty workmanship, have appeared and need attention when weather permits.

Due to the cooperation of both Superintendent and faculty in the economical operation of the school, money was available to purchase much needed equipment. A new sink was purchased and installed in the Play Room. A used piano was secured for the Fourth Grade Room. All fuel necessary for our winter needs was bought in advance. A new drinking fountain was installed on the first floor to accommodate the increased enrollment of boys and girls.

Some adjustment has been made on the teachers' salaries, located in the lower brackets, and it is hoped that more adjustments may be accomplished in the forthcoming year.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation for the splendid cooperation shown by both our splendid staff of teachers and residents of Middleton who have made it possible to maintain a school system of which we are justly proud. Upon education we depend for the continued preservation of our form of democracy upon which the foundations of America were built.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND W. SILVERNAIL, Chairman

SEAEVER MacDONALD

ALICE K. CASS, Secretary

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

MIDDLETON, 1940

To the superintendent of schools and school committee:

The program of music in the Howe-Manning School, Middleton, is planned to give every child the opportunity to make the most of his or her talents, and the supervisor has found the children interested and eager for their music lessons.

The teachers are all very interested in the music program and the supervisor is grateful for their fine cooperation. An encouraging fact this year is that in our first grade room every child has found his or her singing voice after but three months of school under Miss Devane.

The supervisor has a twenty-five minute period with each room of the lower grades weekly and a longer period with the combined seventh and eighth grade chorus. The music period is varied in the lower grades with rhythm orchestra work and with physical responses to various songs and rhythms. Several rhythm instruments have been added to our collection this year.

The orchestra consisting of piano, three violins, two trumpets and drums played at the June graduation. Besides other numbers the seventh and eighth grade chorus sang Haydn's Toy Symphony accompanied by the three violinists of the orchestra and nine boys playing the following toy instruments: quail, nightingale, cuckoo, triangle, clappers, drum and trumpet.

The orchestra lost five members through graduation and removals in June, but has had a number of new members and the group is showing progress. It is now composed of piano, three violins, two trumpets, cornet, clarinet, saxophone, two small xylophones and drums, and has a weekly rehearsal of forty-five minutes and also some individual work after school.

The children of Middleton are fortunate in having a principal so interested in their welfare as Miss Manning and this interest has been of exceptional help to the music supervisor. Through her efforts an excellent grand piano has been purchased for the hall, paid for by entertainments held at the school, a gift from the class of 1940, and the school committee. Miss Manning has also made funds available for the purchase of two fine music stands, several of the toy instruments, some orchestra music, and an alto saxophone.

We are also grateful to the school board for a piano that has been purchased for Miss Sylvester's room. The piano formerly in

the hall has been placed in Miss Lawrence's room; thus we now have a piano on each floor which is used occasionally by each room.

Several of the children have bought their own tonettes, a pre-band instrument or talent finder, and attend classes at noon and after school. About twenty children have learned to play well. Groups have played at various entertainments. Two advanced players went with the supervisor to Hamilton in October and demonstrated the tonettes to a group of Essex County supervisors at a meeting in charge of Miss Martina McDonald, state supervisor of music.

The Thursday before the Christmas vacation all the pupils met in the hall and each room sang several selections learned in their regular music periods and all joined in carols. Several of those studying instruments also played.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE N. KILLAM.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In the foreword to his book, "Modern American Painting," Peyton Boswell, Jr., editor of "The Art Digest," tells us: "America today is developing a school of painting which promises to be the most important movement in the world of art since the days of the Italian Renaissance. Never in the nation's history has there been a time when art was so widely appreciated or so seriously practiced as it is today. America salutes the past, and is grateful to Europe for the aesthetic problems it has solved for all nations. But to this technical knowledge we have now added something that is entirely our own — our own way of life, our own way of thinking and feeling, or our own American spirit, if you want to give this something its most inclusive meaning. As a result, the world is witnessing the birth of a new school of painting — the American school."

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This is true of all kindred branches of art, architecture and industrial design. It is the problem of the grammar school art director today to further the talents of boys and girls who are interested in creative art careers, and at the same time, plan new classes to develop good taste, and a knowledge and appreciation of art in the works of others, in those children who have no particular creative talents of their own.

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This year in Middleton, I have planned my classes as groundwork in the proper use of tools and media — theory of design, drawing and color. It has always been my belief that a working knowledge of sketching can be a most valuable asset to more advanced education, with its specialized classes in such subjects as physics and chemistry for example.

At this time I would like to express my thanks to the teaching staff, all of whom have been most cooperative, and without whose untiring assistance and enthusiasm we could not expect such splendid results as have been obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

February 23, 1941.

MARY SHEA.

